

The Weather

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The Thunder Ceases

A German proposal for a two-day Christmas truce in the screaming air war over England and Europe last night encountered skeptical reaction—but apparently an unacknowledged, cautious acceptance.

Authoritative German sources here revealed that orders had been issued to the German air force to do no bombing over the British Isles today or tomorrow if the Royal Air Force makes no attacks on German territory.

Suspicious British sources countered that "a very large part" had been left for themselves by the Germans, who have repeatedly been accused by the British of dropping bombs in German-held regions as a justification for "retaliatory raids."

No News of Raids

Nonetheless, dispatches from the war areas told of no aerial warfare, no guns fired after arrival of Christmas Day, a half dozen hours before its official advent here.

Amid increasing talk of an imminent German invasion attempt, it was clear that the British did not intend to be thrown off their guard. German Embassy sources here unofficially verified the report that such a truce had been suggested, but the Embassy would make no official comment on it. Likewise, the British Embassy declined comment, but unofficial sources expressed suspicion.

"Informed British sources" in New York were quoted as saying the offer indicated "Berlin has two motives—making a virtue of necessity, and propaganda."

They said, according to the United Press, that the value of a Christmas truce would be "immediately apparent," and cited previous suggestions in this country that such a truce was in keeping with the spirit of the Christmas season.

If the lull in terrifying air bombing was intended to bring relief to

Family Sees Baby Toddler to Death Under Train

David Baker, 23 months, was killed by a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train yesterday near Rockville, Md., while his mother, three brothers and sisters and a neighbor looked on.

The child was playing in the yard of his home next to the tracks when he toddled into the path of the train.

Mrs. Lillian Baker, the mother, and who is soon to have another child, saw the accident through a window.

Cecil Baker, a painter and paper-hanger, was cutting firewood nearby when his son was killed. The child was the youngest of seven children.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker had decorated a tree and were looking forward to a joyful Christmas.

The Post Plays Mailman to You

Your friends, your church, and many firms patronized by you, unite in extending the season's good wishes. Look for these attractive greetings in today's classified section.

'Peace on Earth' Pope Hopes For a 'Just New Order'

(Partial Text, Page 4.)

By Camille M. Cianfara

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Rome, Dec. 24.—Peace, according to Christian morals, was advocated today by Pope Pius in a speech of reply in the customary Christmas greetings of the Sacred College of Cardinals gathered in the Vatican.

This suggestion was embodied in five postulates based on what he termed the "principles of justice, equity and honor."

In outlining his concept, the pontiff reaffirmed the last point contained in the speech he made on the same occasion last year, but indicated that the events which have occurred since then—France's defeat, Italy's entrance into the war, intensification of aerial warfare—had "postponed to a remote time the application" of his peace plan.

The Pope, while envisaging a new order based on revisionism and not on the restoration of the past political and economic alignment, ex-

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British Fleet Pours Shells Into Valona

Alexandria Report Says Ship Chased Italian Westward

(The War in Egypt, Page 3.)

By the United Press

London (Wednesday), Dec. 25.—Units of the British Mediterranean fleet were reported today by the Exchange Telegraph news agency to have bombarded successfully the Albanian port of Valona, vital to the transport of Italian supplies and reinforcements.

The agency also said that light units which took part in the recent British naval sweep into the Adriatic had scouted as far west in the Mediterranean as Pantelleria, island midway between Sicily and Tunisia, at the narrowest part of the sea, without encountering any Italian vessels.

The report was presented as originating at Alexandria, headquarters of the Mediterranean fleet. It gave no details or time of the operation.

Greeks Capture More Material

By A. E. Angelopoulos

International News Service Staff Writer

Athens (Wednesday), Dec. 25 (INS).—"During local combats" brought Greek forces new stocks of captured munitions and material, the high command here reported early today as Fascist forces fell steadily back toward Valona.

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Calls Damage Small

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Purvis, Confident England Will Win, Visits Morgenthau

By the United Press

Washington (Wednesday), Dec. 25.—"Collapse! That word is not in our dictionary," was the message brought back from Great Britain yesterday by Arthur B. Purvis, chief of British purchasing in North America, who held a special Christmas Eve conference with Treasury Secretary Morgenthau yesterday.

Purvis landed from Europe by transatlantic clipper Monday, and immediately arranged the interview with Morgenthau.

Sheer weight of arms production in England and North America is "the key-note to stopping the war," Purvis told reporters after conferring with the Treasury Secretary.

He said that the next 60 or 80 days would be crucial ones for Great Britain but confidently added she

Brauchitsch Tells Army to Be Ready Finally to Come To Grips With Foe

By Joseph W. Grigg, Jr.

United Press Staff Writer

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Germany's war leaders spending Christmas Eve on the "invasion front" tonight sang a warning across the Channel that the hour is drawing nearer when Adolf Hitler will give the order for the big assault on the British Isles.

"Divine justice is against England," Germany's 4,000,000 armed men and her people were told by Rudolf Hess, the Reich's No. 2 deputy Fuehrer and vice chief of the Nazi Party.

"God, You gave us the Fuehrer... you blessed his struggle in mighty victory," said Hess in a radio broadcast from a Nazi air-drome in northern France.

General Adolf Marshal Walther von Brauchitsch, commander in chief, broadcast that the English Channel will protect Britain "only so long as it suits us."

"I know you are burning with the desire finally to come to grips with the Englishman and how you are only awaiting the Fuehrer's order to do so," he told the German troops.

Hitler With Troops

Brauchitsch spoke from a French schoolroom serving as an auditorium for the gunners of a battery of German long-range "Big Bertha" guns which have been bombarding English ports.

Hitler himself left Berlin aboard a special train during the day and it was announced officially that the last Christmas he would spend the day with his troops at the front as "the first soldier of the Reich."

Tomorrow, it was believed, he may broadcast a Christmas message to the armed forces and the German people who are celebrating Christmas much the same as they did a year ago, although there is more food of certain kinds available now as a result of the blitzkrieg occupation of Denmark, Norway, northern France and the Low Countries.

Hitler's personal Christmas gifts are, for the most part, autographed photographs and his own watercolor paintings.

Play Games of War

As the German leaders issued the new warnings of an invasion of the British Isles, tinseled Christmas packages in hundreds of German homes held children's games called "We Sail Against England."

In his address, Brauchitsch lauded the victories of German arms.

"Again I speak to you," he said, "from under the Christmas tree last year it was before the Maginot Line which was supposed to defend France, but which cannot do so today. Today it is before the wall of water which likewise will protect England only so long as it suits us."

Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels also made a Christmas broadcast—to the children of Germany—and admitted that "an immense number" of children had been evacuated from Berlin, Ham-

See GERMAN, Page 4, Col. 2.

Life Ends Under Fire

By the United Press

London (Wednesday), Dec. 25.—A prowler, believed by police to be responsible for more than 100 petty housebreakings in the eastern end of the city, was shot and killed last night as he attempted to steal a purse from a first-story bedroom.

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more times. Campbell said that the burglar was still undeterred, opened the window, entered the room, seized a purse lying on the bed, and started to climb out, when Campbell fired four times more.

The youth, Campbell told police, ran down the alleyway for 50 feet before collapsing in a clump of bushes. A loaded 32-caliber revolver was found in his pocket. Gloves covered his hands. At his side lay the purse, containing \$2.

The purse belonged to Mrs. Grace Elmer, of 1629 R Street Northwest, who was attending a party at the Campbell home.

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Five Shots Poured Into Him, Prowler Dies With \$2 Loot

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Needlest Families Abundant Christmas Giving Cheers More Than 50 Homes

By Lucia Giddens

Post Staff Writer

Something of the wonder of Christmas Eve came last night to all the 50 Needlest Families that readers of The Post were asked to aid this Christmas season.

For the response to their need was so overflowing that several more families than the original 50 are to be cared for and given a new chance for the New Year.

A total of \$7,733.85 had been contributed by last night of which \$1,122.84 was given yesterday. And money was still being sent to The Post, so that even more families might be given this help, which was to them the best of all Christmas cheer. It will provide food, clothing, and other necessities for the present, and will bring new hope for the future. As a result of it many of these families, whose needs could not otherwise have been met, may become once more self-supporting.

In some of the homes today, children are celebrating new jobs for their fathers, as they play with new toys and eat the most jubilant dinner in months. For offers of work have come as a direct result of The Post's appeal. In other instances, help from The Post's fund bolstered the morale of men who went out and sought jobs with new confidence.

In family after family, anxiety over food and rent has been relieved, and laughter has come back into the home for the first time in weeks.

In addition to cash contributions, such gifts as clothing, coal, toys and Christmas dinners were provided by Post readers. To one family whose ten members were scattered, homeless, and with no belongings after a fire, enough furniture was given to set them up in housekeeping again. From two donors came three double beds, twin beds, two coats with mattresses for all, two easy chairs, three tables.

With the first month's rent paid up from The Post's fund, the gifts

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Bar Fear and Defeatism, Roosevelt Tells U. S. as He Lights D.C. Christmas Tree

By Robert DeVore

Post Staff Writer

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Fear and Cheer Bright Star of Bethlehem Pierces Europe's Blackout

By the Associated Press

This is the second Christmas of war for the millions in Europe.

It makes a strange pattern, and not a cheerful one. But still it is Christmas, and today it is in the hearts of everyone.

There is no trace, indeed, the full fury of a new assault may be days, or even hours away. But the bells of Bethlehem ring bravely, though the bells of England are mute, for it is these bells which will give the alarm of invasion.

Here are a few glimpses of Europe on Christmas eve:

LONDON—The curtain of the blackout fell mercifully to hide the scars of bombs. The 1940 Bob Cratchett picked his way warily to home or shelter, arms loaded with bundles, many of them unwrapped, because paper is scarce. The railway stations were crowded with mothers and fathers on their way to their children in the safer countryside. The people in Piccadilly hurried past an apple vendor, selling his wares for a shilling—20

cents—a pound. The signs said: "Christmas is 1940 years old and Hitler only 31; he can't spoil our Christmas!" And there was turkey—for 60 cents a pound.

BERLIN—The words of Hitler's deputy, Rudolph Hess, came through the night and into the German home: "Almighty God, You gave us our Fuehrer... now give us power to help him..." Berlin was dark, too, and the streets were cold and forbidding, but inside there was light and warmth and cheer. The Germans hoped with Reichsmarshal Goering: "May next Christmas be one of peace."

For the two poor people, living in the shanty, bare, and of honey and five-eighths of a pound of candy. For the group, two pounds of apples or pears and a half pound of candy.

VICHY—It was bitter cold in this saddest of cities on this unhappy

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President Bares His Head to Listen To Carols With 8,000 on Ellipse

By George B. Bookman

Post Staff Writer

There is nothing in the Constitution of the United States, nothing in the Declaration of Independence, nothing in the Oath of Office of the President of the United States, about what took place last night on the Ellipse, where President Roosevelt lit a Christmas tree and stood bareheaded listening to Christmas carols.

Yet to 8,000 people who witnessed the ceremony and to millions more who heard it by radio, the brief, informal celebration gave new meaning to the democratic words, "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

There was solemnity. The President's Christmas Eve message to the Nation wished America a "Happy Christmas," not a "Merry Christmas," for mindful of war abroad the President said "for us of maturer years it cannot be merry."

But neighborliness predominated. The President recalled that 18 years the Nation's Chief Executive has officiated at the Christmas Eve celebration at the Nation's Community Christmas Tree, symbolic of hundreds of other trees in other communities throughout the country. The ceremony of lighting the tree has always taken place in a public park.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt were chatting about it yesterday morning, he said, and they wondered "couldn't they make it more homey?"

Next year, Mr. Roosevelt said, the celebration must take place on the

Roosevelt Makes Another 'If' Remark

President Roosevelt last night made another of the somber "if" remarks which have caught so much attention.

Lighting the Christmas tree outside the White House grounds, he said he thought it would be more "homey" if next year's ceremony were held inside the grounds. He said he would make that change, and deliver his address from the White House porch on Christmas eve, 1941, "if we are all here."

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U. S. Court Bars ASCAP in State Of Washington

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 24 (UP).—A three-man Federal court today blocked the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers from further business in the State of Washington with a unanimous decision holding it to be an "illegal combination in restraint of trade."

Radio station operators, fighting the ASCAP monopoly on music, hailed the verdict as a victory.

In one of many suits pending in courts throughout the Nation, ASCAP had asked an injunction against the State copyright law making it illegal to pool copyrights for the purpose of fixing prices, collecting fees, or issuing blanket licenses.

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Roosevelt Wishes 'Happy Christmas'

President Is Afraid Those of Adult Years Cannot Be Merry

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ministry Tree Committee, enthusiastically accepted the invitation in the name of the people of the District. Crowds that lined the streets during the President's short drive from the White House to the Ellipse shouted to him: "Merry Christmas."

Mr. Roosevelt returned the greetings in kind. After finishing his prepared broadcast speech he stood thoughtfully listening to the George Washington University Glee Club render three Christmas carols.

Then, after a closing cornet solo by Musician Edward Masters, of the United States Marine Band, the President turned to the crowd, waved his hand and said:

"Good night everybody and a Happy Christmas to you."

Maybe Diana Hopkins, the motherless little daughter of Harry L. Hopkins, who attended the tree-lighting, best reflected the spirit of the Christmas Eve crowd.

When the President pressed a button lighting the 34-foot red cedar tree, the little girl, craning over the balcony of the Presidential stand, looked wide-eyed and said: "Ooh." So did the other 7,999 people in the audience.

There was good reason. The tree was hung with more than 700 hand-dipped lights that sparkled like starlight, and more than 700 ornaments that reflected the warm red and green glow. Six mercury vapor flood lights bathed the tree in a blue-green hue.

President Roosevelt's Christmas Eve message was tinged with sadness, but voiced hope of a "definite betterment" in the world.

"Strife and Hate"

Mr. Roosevelt said that sometimes "we who have lived through the strife and the hate of a quarter century" wonder the world has abandoned the ideals of "the brotherhood of man."

"When we are in those moods," he said, "it is hard for us to keep from putting our tongues in our cheeks when we say 'Merry Christmas'."

But the President said it "is unintelligent to be defeatist."

He said definite gains for civilization in the century since Charles Dickens wrote the "Christmas Carol," which the President reads to his family each Christmas Eve.

"We recognize," he said, however, "that there is much—oh, so much—to do."

"Most of all we ask a chance to do it," he told the Nation.

Mr. Roosevelt said that "we want to do it the voluntary way," he said, "we do not want to have progress imposed on the world by the conquest of the world by the sword."

Saying that it cannot be a "merry Christmas for adults this year," the President added that it can be a "happy holiday and in that spirit I wish a Happy Christmas to all and happier Christmases yet to come."

After supper Mr. Roosevelt read Dickens' classic to the household. Then followed the joyous annual custom of hanging Christmas stockings for every member of the family.

This year there was an additional stocking—for Falls, the President's eight-month-old Scotty pup. Falls, as the youngest of the group, will get his stocking—containing a bone—first on Christmas morning.

Celebrating the holiday with President and Mrs. Roosevelt were Mrs. James Roosevelt, Jr., the President's mother; Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt, his sister-in-law; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., and their son, Franklin D., 3d; Harry Hooker, of New York, an old family friend; Mr. Hopkins and little Diana.

They all turned out for the Christmas tree ceremonies at the Ellipse.

The tree-lighting marked a high point in the careers of Helen Almy, Troop 28, Girl Scouts of the District of Columbia, and Robert Willenborg, Eagle Scout, Troop 88, Boy Scouts of the National Capital Area Council.

They were chosen to present scout greetings to the Presidential couple.

Helen gave Mrs. Roosevelt a bouquet and spoke a brief greeting. Robert, who was assigned the honor after a speech he made in church, wished the Chief Executive "health and strength and wisdom and divine guidance in the heavy responsibilities to be yours in the coming years."

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College Carolers Serenade President



"O, LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM"—Members of the George Washington University Glee Club, under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Howe Harmon, sang familiar Christmas carols last night at the lighting of the National Community Christmas Tree on the Ellipse.

Rich, Poor Alike Are Celebrating

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through all the dark days of the past, the promise that the love of men, which is rooted in the birth and life of Christ, shall eventually dominate the world; has been the beacon of hope to suffering humanity," she said.

"You women have met the present crisis with courage and resolution. May God give you strength to believe in the fundamental good of human beings and to work for it unceasingly; for in the end right will triumph over might and the love of a Little Child will dominate the world."

As thousands of Washingtonians, heading for holidays in their homes, jammed Union Station, the airport and bus terminals, thousands more packed the stores in a last-minute shopping rush. Store executives said this year's holiday buying was one of the heaviest in history.

The royal refugees, Olav and Martha, joined the shopping crush to complete their list of Christmas purchases for their children and friends. The crown prince reported afterward that as far as he knew no one recognized them.

Carolers Await First Lady

The Christmas tree was lighted and on a truck a boy's band and the carolers were waiting when Mrs. Roosevelt pulled into Greens Court at 5:45 p. m. from the celebration on the Ellipse.

While a half-dozen uniformed policemen held the smaller children in check, Mrs. Roosevelt, with Mrs. Frank Linzel, president of the Washington Council of Church Women, sponsors of the event, sang "Silent Night" and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

Mrs. Roosevelt shook hands with those nearest her and called "Merry Christmas to you all" to the scores huddled near doorways. Shouts of "Merry Christmas, Mrs. Roosevelt" rang down the alley as the White House car drove away.

As usual at parties on the day before Christmas, Mrs. Roosevelt was virtually omnipresent. Starting at 9:45 a. m. she attended four welfare parties, distributing presents and Christmas greetings to thousands of needy children. In addition, she worked in a reception for White House employees as well as the Christmas tree lighting and the Green's Court visit.

1,500 Children Present

"This is a Christmas on which a great many children are not going to be able to be happy," she told Mission party at the Capitol Theater. "We older people should do much to make our children in this country happy, and also to make the world a happier place."

She also attended the Kiwanis Club Christmas party in Arlington County and similar affairs at the Volunteers of America, 433 Third Street Northwest, and the Salvation Army, 426 Sixth Street Northwest. Nearby army posts in Maryland and Virginia were stripped of all but men essential to guard duty and other necessary routine as

Capital's Population Fluctuates Rapidly With Holiday Travel

Washington's population oscillated rapidly yesterday as thousands left Union Station to go home for Christmas and more thousands arrived from all points to spend the holidays here.

The thousands passing through the station gave the Travelers Aid desk, the information booth and the station master's office one of their busiest days of the year.

One little girl approached the information counter and solemnly asked where she could locate Santa Claus, as she had a very important message for him.

An elderly woman cautiously asked the Travelers Aid attendant where she might go to spend Christmas, lacking both money and friends here. She was given funds for a dinner and movie and was asked to come back tonight.

Children, executives, Congressmen, and masses of plain people all hurried intently for their trains or rushed out from the loading platforms, sometimes pausing to listen to the Christmas chimes in the crowded station.

Last night, last-minute travelers heard a program of Christmas carols sung by a Y. W. C. A. choir at 7:45 p. m., sponsored by the Travelers Aid Society.

Trains were all running double sections, many adding an additional section in the late afternoon.

Postman's Holiday

There were only two children at the White House this Christmas, in contrast to other years—the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., and Diana Hopkins, 8, daughter of Harry Hopkins, former Secretary of Commerce.

Other White House guests included the President's mother, Mrs. Sara Roosevelt; the widow of his stepbrother, Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt; Franklin and Ethel Roosevelt and Hopkins.

The Postoffice's 3,000 regular workers, whipped to a frenzy of activity by yesterday's last-minute rush, will have the day off today. Special workers will handle special deliveries.

Virtually all of the city's churches will hold special services today. Thousands attended midnight masses in Catholic churches. Protestant services were highlighted by candlelight services in Washington Cathedral and a full festive service at St. Margaret's Church.

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mas, lacking both money and friends here. She was given funds for a dinner and movie and was asked to come back tonight.

Children, executives, Congressmen, and masses of plain people all hurried intently for their trains or rushed out from the loading platforms, sometimes pausing to listen to the Christmas chimes in the crowded station.

Last night, last-minute travelers heard a program of Christmas carols sung by a Y. W. C. A. choir at 7:45 p. m., sponsored by the Travelers Aid Society.

Trains were all running double sections, many adding an additional section in the late afternoon.

Other White House guests included the President's mother, Mrs. Sara Roosevelt; the widow of his stepbrother, Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt; Franklin and Ethel Roosevelt and Hopkins.

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Capital Says Merry Yule By Telegram

Western Union, Postal Report Holiday Rush Exceeds All Records

Christmas messages telegraphed from the District reached an all-time high yesterday as both Western Union and Postal Telegraph officials reported unprecedented holiday business.

Meanwhile, the city postoffice estimated that approximately 2,000,000 letters were mailed from the District, exceeding last year's figure and possibly setting a new high.

Western Union wires handled "at least 20 per cent more than average load," according to Superintendent Bruce R. Allen. The force of telephone girls and messenger boys was increased more than 50 per cent, he added.

"Instead of one Christmas greeting, people this year are sending three or four wires and a money order—a sure sign of returning prosperity," Allen said. "Every position on our telephone bank is filled and new ones have been added, which to my knowledge has never happened before."

Postal Telegraph officials emphasized the increased number of "ringgrams," and said that several hundred such telegrams had been sent over the telephone during the day. They reported their business this season as being consistently heavier than in previous years.

Estimates from both companies indicated a total of approximately 40,000 telegrams sent from the city in the day.

People are still bringing gifts and boxes of candy into telegraph offices to be wired to other cities, one operator said.

Boy, 15, Cleared Of Slaying Charge As Christmas Gift

By the Associated Press

Pineville, Ky., Dec. 24.—A Christmas present in the form of freedom from a murder charge was given this Christmas Eve to 15-year-old Clyde Buchanan, Jr., who a week ago was being hunted, with his father, by heavily armed posse.

Bell County Attorney Walter B. Smith said the release was approved by County Judge J. M. Pursitt.

The boy's father, Clyde William Buchanan, was killed by a posse last Thursday, a few hours after young Buchanan was captured close to their wooded hideout near Wheeler, Va. Smith, who led the posse, said the elder Buchanan was shot after he refused to surrender.

He and his son fled from a trailer camp at nearby Middleboro, Ky., after three officers who sought to arrest the father on an Alexandria (Va.) burglary warrant, were shot, one fatally. The condition of Police Chief Charles H. Minton, most seriously wounded of the two surviving officers, was described as improved today.

Family of Boy Killed by Truck Observes Yule

Christmas and Funeral Preparations Combined At Billy Shipp's Home

Little Billy Shipp, 8, of 710 G Street Northeast, who died Monday under a truck's wheels, would have been proud to see his family yesterday.

They were combining preparations for their son's funeral with preparations for the Christmas that had been planned partly for him and partly for his sister and brothers.

The boy was killed going home from the store after buying ice cream for himself and his brother, Larry, 6, with 15 cents he had found.

Yesterday the family had found insurance funds, overlooked during the first hours after the boy's death, to take care of what was necessary, according to the father, Frank Shipp.

While the parents made arrangements for the funeral, Billy's brothers continued to help with Christmas plans, wrapping presents for each other and their parents, and placing them under the gaily decorated tree their father had brought them.

They'll have their Christmas this morning.

And at 10 a. m. Billy's body will be sent from Washington for funeral services and burial at the family home, Wilson, N. C.

Byrd's Explorers Race To Reach Base by Yule

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP).—An exploring party of Admiral Richard E. Byrd's Antarctic Expedition raced by dog sled today to reach the Little America base camp in time for Christmas and a turkey dinner.

Dr. Paul Siple, base commander, speaking over short-wave, told a General Electric Co. official at station WGOE, a four-man party which had been scouting 500 miles from camp since October 15 was expected to arrive tomorrow.

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Christmas Pervades Alleys and Avenues

Washington Chapels And Cathedrals Hold Traditional Rites

Along Washington's alleys and avenues, in chapels and cathedrals, Christmas was greeted last night with the traditional caroling and eye services.

Worshippers knelt at midnight masses in Catholic churches, and broke the bread and lifted the cup at Holy Communion in Protestant churches. They caroled in their neighborhoods, not forgetting the shut-ins and needy. They prayed that "peace on earth, good will to men" might become a reality.

Today at 11 a. m. people of different denominations will file into First Congregational Church, Tenth and G Streets Northwest, for a citywide Christmas service sponsored by the Washington Federation of Churches. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt will attend.

Early risers for the Christmas Day celebration were the church youth groups, who met at the Washington Federation of Churches Building at 4 a. m. for a consecration service and breakfast. They then scattered to hospitals and other institutions to cheer up patients with 6,000 candy-filled socks. The hospital committee of the federation sponsored the project. Emory and Foundry Methodist Churches had arranged services for 7 a. m. today. Like other church groups, the Christian Endeavor Society of Columbia Heights Christian Church went a caroling in the community last night. They visited, among others, Mrs. E. B. Bagby, of 1875 Spring Place Northwest, a shut-in. The Bagby Endeavor Society of the congregation is named in memory of her husband.

Earlier in the day, other groups caroled in alleys, many of them carrying food, clothing and other gifts for the less fortunate. Mrs. Roosevelt addressed a service in Green Court Southeast, sponsored by the Washington Council of Church Women.

In Catholic churches high masses were celebrated at midnight and low masses followed through the day.

Over at Fort Myer Chapel the manger—as in other Catholic services—was an added attraction at Catholic ceremonies beginning with a solemn high mass at midnight, celebrated by Chaplain Speer Strahan.

Proceeding the mass the Grey-mour Friars of the Atonement from Catholic University, enacted the Mourn Cathedral's Twelfth Century liturgical play, called the "Ecclesia de Shephardae." They also sang the music of the mass. The manger was decorated earlier in the week by members of the recently-formed Holy Name Society of the post. Carols will be the feature of the Protestant rites today at 10:45 a. m. in the chapel.

More than 2,000 people knelt at the Washington Cathedral for the First Christmas Eve midnight candlelight communion rites in its history. Tapers, the only illumination in the choir and crossing, flickered from six-foot standards.

'No Comment,' Says Mrs. Deegan on Reaching Lisbon

Lisbon, Dec. 24 (P)—Mrs. Elizabeth Deegan, of Asheville, N. C., the U. S. embassy clerk in Paris, was detained more than a week by German officials on a charge of aiding British officers to flee the occupied zone, arrived here tonight with "no comment" at all on what I've been through.

She has been transferred to the legation staff here. "My greatest worry was about what my child and mother were thinking. They will be happy to hear from me on Christmas Eve, and my greatest thought right now is how proud I am to be born an American."



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We Hardly Know Each Other...



MINISTER'S SON BRINGS NORSE BEAUTY HOME—Sitting on their suitcases, at Union Station yesterday, Else Hviistendahl, blue-eyed, blonde Norwegian, and Benjamin McCartney, son of the pastor of the Covenant First Presbyterian Church here, denied rumors of their engagement. They balked at the traditional kissing shot, suggested by photographers. "We hardly know each other," they explained. McCartney accompanied Else from New York, where she arrived after crossing the mine-infested Atlantic. Last spring the minister's son visited her in Oslo as the city fell to the Germans. She will stay with McCartney's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Albert J. McCartney, at 1302 Eighteenth Street Northwest.

Triangle Club Parodies Self With 'Corn,' Freak Situations

By George W. Thorpe

The Princeton Triangle Club, in Washington, yesterday afternoon on its fifty-second Christmas tour, turned out "corn" with Nassau Hall sophistication and parodied itself with a mixture of humorous situations and catch songs. The performance, the only one in Washington, was at the National Theatre.

It was a show within a show. The Triangle boys, as shown in the inner show, were nonplussed when the "leading lady" was drafted 48 hours before opening night.

Two wretches decided to fill the gap with a bona fide girl, hitherto a model in a New York dress shop. Following a revue of the models—husky football players and crew men, who mimicked and parodied across the stage in trailing, decollete gowns—the Princetonians induced Model Jean Wagstaff to join the Triangle cast.

She agreed reluctantly, protesting, "Well, I'll have to leave my friends. Of course, I loathe them all but they're the only ones I have."

Once at Princeton, however, complications developed. Jean, hardened by years in New York, departed herself so aggressively she startled the Nassau actors, and created actual doubt as to her sex.

At this point, in football togs, and to the accompaniment of a swing arrangement of the Princeton Cannon Song, Jean makes the freshman football team and scores seven touchdowns against the varsity.

Meanwhile, Antonette Slurp, unloving and predatory, arrives in Princeton, screams, exaggeratedly at every boy in the cast, and hurling herself upon them singly and in groups, demands a part in the forthcoming production.

Embittered when her demands are refused, Antonette turns Jean into the dean. The latter, impressed with her masculinity, exonerated her—however. Ungratefully, the erstwhile model volunteers for the Marines, but is refused because of flat feet—and the show goes on.

The Princeton Club of Washington distributed 200 tickets to the production to high school students to promote interest in the University.

Prominent in the cast was Mark Lawrence, who also wrote the lyrics. He is the son of David Lawrence, local newspaper publisher. Another Washingtonian, a member of the chorus, was John A. Nevius, of 2915 Albemarle Street Northwest, son of Avon M. Nevius, vice president of the Riggs National Bank.

Bethlehem's Star Pierces Blackouts

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Christmas Eve. But Marshal Pétain, his old voice aumble with hope, said over the radio: "A new France is born... made by your trials, your remorse, your sacrifices... take courage! Swear tonight to assist with all your force this great rebirth so your children again will know happy Christmases!"

There were government gifts of potatoes, rice, lentils, spaghetti and dates for the thousands expelled from the lost provinces of Alsace and Lorraine; there were cheap toys, left over from last year, in the shops, but few buyers. Said one demobilized soldier, living in a tiny room with his wife and daughter: "We don't even have a Christmas tree—there's not enough room."

IN PARIS—"Midnight" mass was sung at 8 p. m. at Notre Dame because of the curfew.

ROME—The Eternal City walked through slush and snow and the ink of the blackout, homeward from daylight Christmas Eve masses. They were hoping, most of these Romans, that Christmas Day will bring at least a tacit truce for the Italian soldiers so hard pressed in the African desert and in Albania.

Mass was said in most churches in Rome at 4:30 p. m., by special dispensation of the Pope, because of the conditions of the war. And the government lifted for today the restrictions on meat and pastries, so there will be turkeys, sausages, fruits and good things of the peace for those with the money to buy them. Many Italians had put spaghetti aside from their monthly ration for the Christmas Eve supper.

DUBLIN: The brightest city between Moscow and New York sparked with Christmas Eve celebrations; gay crowds overran the curbs. But there were reminders of the danger: One of them an official warning to motorists to take heed of road barriers and armed guards, alert against the chance of invasion.

AND IN BETHLEHEM: Only the stars shone through the blackness of war to light the pilgrims' way to the Church of the Nativity and the bells pealed silver clear; hundreds watched the sublime drama of Christ's birth re-enacted there.

Santa's Postmaster Busy
Santa Claus, Ind., Dec. 24 (AP)—This tiny community, annually a mecca for Christmas tourists because of its name, will have sent out 1,000,000 pieces of Christmas mail before the season ends. Postmaster Oscar Phillips estimated.

Seaguling Santa
New York, Dec. 24 (P)—Weighted down by bags of books, cigarettes, flashlights and candy, Santa Claus deliriously out to sea today aboard a tugboat to distribute gifts to officers and men on 17 foreign vessels anchored in New York harbor.

"Santa" was Gerrit E. Meyer, a Dutch seaman, the novel cruise was the Christmas present of the British National Union of Seamen.

Santa Overcomes Obstacles
Miami, Fla., Dec. 24 (P)—This resort city does very nicely on December 25 despite a shortage of snow, ice, chimneys and many of the other things commonly associated with Christmas.

Residents welcomed Santa Claus tonight with a gigantic water carnival with some 200 gaily decorated boats parading past the city's bay-front.

Yule Money in Shreds
Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 24 (P)—Christmas shopping by some Gray County farmers may be delayed until after the holidays. A mail pouch tossed off a train fell under the wheels. Remnants showed \$30,000 in Government checks to farmers had been destroyed.

Seems Like a Good Idea
Canton, Ohio, Dec. 24 (P)—Pillow cases were hung from the bedposts with care at several Canton homes tonight in the hope the American Santa Claus is internationally minded—and would know what to do about them.

Some of the four-score British refugee children housed here for the duration of the war clung to this English custom in Christmas Eve festivities, and retired confident the shy old gentleman would know the pillow cases were substitutes for much less capacious stockings.

The prospects of their first Christmas in America seemed dulled only slightly by fears for the safety of parents and pets in England.

"Christmas in Coventry"
Portland, Me., Dec. 24 (P)—Fascinating tonight in the church where International Christian Endeavor was born will help rebuild the bomb-ruined churches of Coventry, England.

The Christian Endeavor societies of the Williston Congregational Church here joined in presenting an original Christmas play, "Christmas in Coventry," written by the Rev. Franklin P. Cole, minister. The proceeds will be sent to Coventry.

No Place to Go But Prison
Joliet, Ill., Dec. 24 (AP)—Twenty-one years a fugitive from the Stateville Penitentiary in Joliet, Irwin Hawley, 62, will have his Christmas dinner with the other convicts tomorrow at his own request.

He walked into the office of Warden Joseph Ragen today and said: "I escaped from this place 21 years ago, but I might as well serve out my time and get squared around. Besides, this is Christmas and I haven't any relatives nor any place to go."

A look at the records showed Hawley has a year, 10 months and 18 days to serve of a three-year term. He also is reported to have "gone straight" since his escape.

It's Still Christmas
Buenos Aires, Argentina, Dec. 24 (P)—Santa Claus skipped entire nations in Latin America tonight. In Argentina, Peru, Cuba and Mexico, Christmas is purely a religious day and gifts are given children on January 6—the Day of the Three Wise Men.

Most of the other Latin-American countries had their equivalents of Santa Claus tonight. Brazilian children put out shoes for "Papa Noel," borrowed from the French. Chilean children had their "Viejito"—Little Father Christmas—and in Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador gifts were given children in the name of the Christ Child.

Yule Finds Kaiser In Good Health

Doorn, The Netherlands, Dec. 24 (P)—Kaiser Wilhelm II, now a white-bearded octogenarian, celebrated his first Christmas Eve under German occupation of Holland in perfect health today.

With him was probably the smallest circle of relatives since his exile began 22 years ago.

Besides the Kaiserin Hermine, only the latter's youngest daughter, Henrietta, and her newlywed husband, the Kaiser's grandson, Karl Franz Joseph, attended.

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Northeast Rocked By Second Quake

Thousands Panicky; Worst Is Over, Geologist Reports

Boston, Dec. 24.—For the second time in five days startling earth tremors today at 8:45 p. m. shook the densely populated Northeast from Pennsylvania to Canada and brought from a Harvard geologist the opinion that this section might now enjoy a lull from earthquakes.

In much the same manner as last Friday's tremor, this second quake was felt in popular New York and Pennsylvania, throughout New England and northward into Quebec.

Again there were panicky thousands, but there were no casualties and damage for the most part was negligible.

In Chicopee, Mass., a 20-inch water main was ruptured, and at the Peabody Museum in Salem, Mass., a rare tile gargoyle toppled from a shelf and broke.

Kirkpatrick F. Mather, Harvard geologist, said the two quakes probably had completed a major adjustment in the earth's crust in central New England, adding that if this was so "there probably will be nothing but slight local after-shocks."

Pope Hopes for 'Just New Order'

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pressed a "heartfelt wish" that after the war had ended, peoples and their leaders "will be sufficiently matured intellectually and capable in action to prepare the ground of the future for a new order that will be solid, true and just."

Political Aspects Ignored

At the same time, he expressed his opposition to a form of peace tantamount to a dictate. However, he made clear that the Catholic Church, because of its universality, will not take sides in the conflict.

"In the midst of contrasting systems," he said, "which are a part of our times and dependent upon them, the church cannot be called upon to favor one more than another."

He further explained this statement by stressing that "the practical application of one political system or another depends in large measure and often quite decisively upon circumstances and causes, which, considered in themselves, are extraneous to the purpose and action of the church."

This attitude, indeed, permeated the whole speech, which differed from the one last year in that it ignored the political aspects of the conflict and called instead for peace in keeping with the morals of Christianity.

The pontiff did, however, make a concrete proposal—the only one to be found in the address—by appealing to all belligerents to recognize the rights of weak nations, which because of their weakness are

Despite Ruling, Pontiff Offers Midnight Mass

Vatican City, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius did not depart from the tradition of midnight Christmas mass although by his dispensation the faithful in countries blacked out by war were permitted to attend afternoon services.

The pontiff himself celebrated the customary mass at midnight with a few close associates and relatives.

Threatened by the stronger powers. At the same time, the Pope condemned the aerial bombing of cities in violation of international conventions and termed this aspect of the war "the darkest and most painful pages of world history."

He then referred to the difficulties

Love Is Literally In the Air



ROMANCE IN BLOOM—It was reported in Kansas City yesterday that Jack Frye, president of Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., was on his way to Arizona in his private plane, presumably to marry Mrs. Helen Vanderbilt. This picture of the couple was made two weeks ago in Los Angeles.



PRODUCER'S DAUGHTER TO WED AVIATION EXECUTIVE—The engagement of blonde Margaret Roach, film actress and daughter of Producer Hal Roach, to Geoffrey Steele, vice president of an airplane company, was announced by the couple yesterday. They said they would be married some time in June. Steele, a native of England, is a lieutenant in the British army reserve.

met in the work of relief for war prisoners and praised the contributions received from the United States for "having rendered easier our part in their interest."

In his five prerequisites the Pope called for "triumph over hatred." He condemned a new order "imposed with force without sincerity, full consent, joy, peace, dignity and value," because he indicated this would only perpetuate "chronic discord."

To have peace, he said, it is necessary "to triumph over mistrust," put an end to deceitful propaganda, reestablish kindness and cooperation. Mistrust, he added, "bears down as an oppressive weight on international law," and renders impossible the realization of any sincere agreement.

By so stating, the Pope clearly implied his condemnation of those who have not observed treaties and have fostered hatred both internally

Purvis Sure Britain Will Not Collapse

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ditions under which each would agree to end the European war.

Senator Tydings (Democrat), of Maryland, suggested in an interview: "I do not speak of a peace of appeasement but of a peace of justice," Tydings told reporters.

Pleading for a "just" peace, the Maryland Senator said: "If we had a clear and accurate idea of the conditions under which both Great Britain and the Axis powers would agree to peace, we would know better just what steps our Nation should take."

"We should work for such a peace, for the alternatives are continued slaughter of men, women and children in all belligerent countries, catastrophic destruction of property, the expenditure of hundreds of billions of dollars to prosecute the war and for rehabilitation and readjustment which will come thereafter and the departure from democratic methods of government."

Tydings, who is an advocate of aid to Britain, contended that if the United States found out now that there was no basis for a "just" peace, "we could proceed with a will and vim and more rightly project our country's course in its future international dealings."

In another phase of the aid-to-Britain undertaking, it was reported that officials here are studying a proposal by which the United States might acquire 30 or more Danish cargo ships now in American ports and transfer to Britain American ships of equal tonnage.

It was understood that officials felt no action by Congress would be necessary to permit the transaction. Should the price be agreed on by this Government and the Laubenstein-Moeller Line, owners of most of the Danish craft, it was said the purchase could be followed by transfer to Britain of equal tonnage of American ships now in coastwise trade, with Britain footing the bill.

No Notice of Axis Ships

Such a proposal takes no notice of Britain's desire for German, French or Italian ships now in American ports. Official London suggestions that the latter tonnage would be welcomed brought a Berlin warning against a move to take over the craft and deliver them to Britain.

Purvis, in talking to reporters, would not discuss the President's plan for leasing or lending war material to Great Britain.

The British purchasing official said that one of Britain's greatest needs was ships, with which to maintain a steady flow of supplies to the beleaguered island.

In this connection it was presumed that Purvis discussed with Secretary Morgenthau the suggestion that the United States take over some 104 foreign ships, belonging to Germany, Italy and invaded nations, that are tied up in American ports. Eleven British Southwesters, brought in \$10.00 to the fund, Harris, overflowing with enthusiasm for the spirit in which the boys had done their work for the neediest families, brought the money from them to the Post last night.

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Abundant Giving Cheers More Than 50 Needy Families

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of furniture are enabling the family to be reunited and to have a new start, which would have been impossible at present on the small wages of the father, a truck driver. This family was No. 25 on the list.

In every family, immediate help has been followed by the making of plans for a better future.

For example, Mr. B. in Family No. 3, said gratefully when help came from The Post's fund: "This Christmas is so different from what I'd expected. The children and I thought we wouldn't be together this Christmas. But now this help will hold our home together, not just for Christmas, but for the future."

Mr. B. was crippled for more than a year after serious injury in an automobile accident. Last fall his wife died of pneumonia, and he was left to care for two small children. He wanted to make a home for them, but the only way he could do it was to take on the extra expense of bringing an elderly cousin of his wife's into the home to do the housekeeping and look after the children. He expects to have one more operation before he will be able to work again.

Children Rejoice

Just before Christmas, he learned that the operation would not be necessary. On the first of the year he will start training at Goodwill Industries for work that will make him self-supporting later. While in training, his wages will be small and will have to be supplemented from The Post's fund.

The relative has come to take care of the children. They are rejoicing over having a real home again. Among the gifts to The Post's fund, \$5 was earmarked for toys and Christmas dinner for this family, so Mr. B. has had the joy of planning his children's celebration—just as he had always done until misfortune overtook him.

This improvement in spirit and outlook is typical of what has happened in the homes of the needy families.

The small yesterday overflowed with contributions and with cheerful letters from Post readers, glad to share in the task of helping these families.

"I only wish the idea of helping people until they can help themselves was more widespread," wrote one contributor.

"Restored Faith"

"You must have restored faith to a lot of desperate mothers and fathers and their bewildered kids," Bertha P. Smith said in a note with her gift.

A \$1 bill came yesterday from perhaps the youngest contributor of the season—Enid Eileen Novak, only 5 months old.

The activity of 22 boys of Southwest Washington who constructed and sold model planes with the assistance of Louis J. Harris, manager of Robbins 5-and-10 Cent store at 1400 Eleventh Street Southwest, brought in \$10.00 to the fund. Harris, overflowing with enthusiasm for the spirit in which the boys had done their work for the neediest families, brought the money from them to the Post last night.

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Invasion Hour Near, Nazis Told

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burg and western Germany and other centers because of British bombing attacks.

"This is bad," he said, "but so it is today. We can only limit sacrifices."

The German high command told of shattering bombing attacks Monday night on Britain's great industrial city of Manchester and continuing successes in the war at sea.

Many large fires and a number of smaller ones were said to have been started in London and Manchester in the latest aerial assaults.

German bombers in daylight attacks Monday on the west coast of Scotland, off Loch Linnhe, were said by the high command to have scored direct hits on a 12,000-ton merchant ship, hits on two smaller vessels and to have damaged four other ships.

Informed Nazi quarters said that German motor torpedo boats in a night sortie toward the English coast sank a 10,000-ton tanker and a 6,000-ton freighter despite the "superior strength" of British convoy forces.

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Italy Calls Churchill Talk a Peace Plea

Press and Radio
To Give Italians
Excerpts of Speech

By Robert L. Matthews
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Rome, Dec. 24.—Prime Minister Churchill has got over his speech to the Italian people for excerpts are being released for publication in all newspapers and broadcast in thorough fashion. Premier Mussolini has accepted the challenge and, in a statement read by an official source to the foreign press this morning, the address was called a "puerile maneuver" and "an appeal for a compromise peace."

Thus Italy and Britain have made a dramatic contact over the radio waves in the midst of war and that fact is considered here to transcend in importance either what Churchill said or what the Italians answered. The Italian statement replied to the prime minister's point by point. It starts by asserting that it is historically false to say Britain helped Italy during the rearmament, and although Italians and English fought together in the World War Italy was badly recompensed by Britain afterward. Sanctions are called an "unforgettable" event and it is claimed that Britain wanted the war and proved it by her guarantee to Poland and her attempts to encircle the totalitarian states.

The fact that Italy is a prisoner in the Mediterranean and other vital aims of the war were not mentioned by Churchill, continues the statement which goes on to say that Italy, the regime and people are one, and the classically English attempt to detach the people from their leaders, is a puerile propagandistic maneuver of the fourth class.

Crown Princess Joins Black Shirts

At this point attention was called to the fact that the Crown Princess Marie-José yesterday, at her own request, became a member of the Fascist Party. It was also pointed out that the King has just sent a Christmas message to the combatants, which concludes by saying that he and the whole nation are certain of their victory.

The two messages exchanged by Churchill and Signor Mussolini in May, 1940, stated, furnished proof that Italy, "like all self-respecting countries, has a sense of honor, and anyway Mussolini said several times that the speech of changing partners is over."

The Rome radio already has discussed Churchill's speech and it is reported that it will start reading extracts tonight or tomorrow. However, the full text can only be given in the press because of its length.

The British broadcasting company is constantly reading the text in Italian but few people have set up a radio to get the message. The ordinary Italian must know by now that Churchill has made a speech addressed to him and the interest must very high.

Peace Idea in the Air

This exchange of ideas and sentiments between Britain and Italy is the first that has occurred since the war started. By coincidence or not, Churchill made his address the day after Virginia Gentry's remarkable editorial saying that the general aims of Italy and Britain were the same. Churchill's speech is considered here "an appeal for a compromise peace," so the idea has at least been thrown into the air. It does not follow that Italy is seeking a separate peace, since it clearly is not.

But Churchill's message, partly through accident and partly through Signor Mussolini's acceptance of his challenge, has brought Italy and Britain into direct contact. Churchill has spoken once to the Italian public and can do so often, if he pleases, and the Duce can do the same to the English people if he wants to.

Editorial commentators today confine themselves to saying what they think of Anthony Eden as the new British foreign minister. So far as Fascist opinion is concerned, England is the arch enemy of Italy and has always been held primarily responsible for the sanctions. "We salute the effeminate, implacable Eden with the elegant voice and beautiful hands, a sworn enemy of Italy in peace and war," writes the *Messaggero* in a typical editorial.

Chinese Financiers Here to Get Loans

San Francisco, Dec. 24 (AP).—Three Chinese financiers arrived on the liner *Lurline* from Shanghai today to arrange loans for the reconstruction of China. They were P. C. Young, C. S. Liu and Fred Sze, all of Shanghai.

At Washington, D. C., they will confer with Government officials and T. L. Soong, brother of China's Minister of Finance.

Plane Parts Workers Get \$200,000 Bonus

Burbank, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP).—Eighteen thousand employees of Lockheed and Vega aircraft companies—who gave the British people a \$200,000 Hudson bomber for Christmas—are going to share a \$200,000 gift themselves.

The management announced that employees with service prior to May 1 will receive \$25 bonuses each, and those hired since being paid proportionately, according to service.

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'Stitch in Time' Has Special Meaning Here



"ROLL OUT THE BOMBERS"—American correspondents touring three factories in the north of England saw thousands of workers, including hundreds of girls, turning out bombers for Britain. Working like beavers in response to Lord Beaverbrook's appeal to "roll out the bombers," these girls are sewing fabric on the wings of a Wellington bomber.

A Tank Is Like a Roller-Coaster, Except It Makes More Noise

Reporter, After Riding in Armored Machine, Says He'd Prefer a Destroyer in a Gale; Finds Crews Are Too Busy to Mind It Much

(Editor's note: Drew Middleton, whose duties as a war correspondent have taken him with the British Expeditionary Force to Belgium and France last spring, through German bombing raids in England and aboard a British destroyer on North Atlantic patrol, takes you along on a ride in a tank with Britain's new armored corps.)

By Drew Middleton
Associated Press Staff Writer

With the British Royal Armored Corps, somewhere in England.—By preference, I'll take a destroyer in a gale; but you have to have tanks in a war.

Ever ride in one? You squeeze through the tank's conning tower into a chamber that makes a submarine seem roomy. An inch from your face is a telescope calibrated for fire by the tank's 2-pounder and Besa machine gun. Your right shoulder rests on a brace by which you elevate or deflect the gun by moving a shoulder.

The commander's voice crackles through your earphones. "Here we go," he hollars, and the cruiser tank swings into action with a terrific grinding noise.

Noise Is Deafening
It's like the engine room of a ship. Every available inch is filled with machinery, levers, dials and ammunition.

The steady clack-clack of the tracks and the pounding roar of the motors deafens you. The continuous lurching and dipping makes you long for the comparative steadiness of that aforementioned destroyer in a gale.

Curiously, the crew doesn't seem to mind. They move as steadily and efficiently as machines. They never bump painfully into apparatus, as you do, and they seem unaffected by the racket or motion.

In the gunner's telescope, trees and brush suddenly loom up. They're so close you duck—and bang your head on a lever. Then you see the trees suddenly whip down as the tank grinds through them, and there's a crashing-crackling noise and the tank roars on like a huge animal. The tank roars on.

Like a Roller-Coaster
The driver turns swiftly and the tank tips down a 40-degree hill. The earth of the valley floor lies far below you, and it feels exactly like a roller-coaster dropping on the down curve.

You think the speed must be close to 60 m. p. h., but the commander says no, only about 40.

They fire the tank's 2-pounder on the range, and the recoil whips past the gunner's ears. There's the bang of the semi-automatic breech opening. The chamber fills with smoke and the acrid smell of cordite. Then another shell bangs, and another, and far off across the valley you see your shells smack into a steel tank silhouette.

Driver Takes It Calmly
Next the Besa gun fires at full speed. The noise of its report is deafening. Bullets pierce the shell of the target like cheese and crash into a brick wall behind.

After it's all over, you talk to the driver, who was a school teacher before the war.

He says the firing doesn't disturb him because he's got too much to do. "When you're in action, you never notice explosions or recoil," he said nonchalantly. "Once I left the hatch open and the blast from the 2-pounder burned my hair off. But that was extraordinary."

"This," he insisted, "is just an ordinary job."

Italians Fall Back In Hasty Disorder

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new capture of prisoners and material in a brief, dramatic communique which ended with the words: "Merry Christmas."

While in the north Hellenic warriors made surprisingly deep advances across the snow-covered terrain, Italian forces in the coastal sector continued their retreat from the fallen base of Khimara. Military observers in the capital believed the Fascist forces might dig in for a last stand in the Logara Stralis before retreating to Valona.

Advices from the battlefront said Valona had been fortified heavily during the last few weeks, in anticipation of a last-ditch battle. After violent fighting, Greek forces broke through crack regiments of Italian Alpine troops west of Khimara.

Already, the main forces of the Greek coastal army have sprayed out 15 miles from Kimara, whose capture was announced yesterday.

Holsti, who is en route to Palo Alto, Calif., to lecture at Stanford University, said in an interview that there were neither German nor Russian troops on "Finnish soil proper."

St. Louis Newsman Dies
St. Louis, Dec. 24 (AP).—Kenneth G. (Jack) Belairs, 71, veteran reporter of the St. Louis *Star-Times*, died today of pneumonia.

Repeated bayonet attacks through the Mokra Mountain sector in the northern sector were hurled against Italian lines.

West of Moskopolis, the Greeks occupied positions threatening the only road of Italian retreat from the central sector.

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British Raid Tripoli, Sink 2 Italian Ships

3 Invasion Ports, Rhineland Factories Bombed by R. A. F.

By Robert P. Post
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London, Dec. 24.—Tales of how the Royal Air Force and the fleet air arm have been taking the offensive against both Germany and Italy were disclosed today. The admiralty announced a heavy raid by fleet air arm planes on Tripoli the night of December 20 into the 21st, and the sinking of two Italian ships by torpedo-carrying planes; the R. A. F. announced successful raids on Benina, Italian East Africa, and the destruction of four Italian planes by British fighters in the Near East.

The air ministry also announced attacks by the bomber command Monday night on Boulogne, Dunkirk and Ostend—all invasion ports—as well as against industrial targets in the Rhineland.

According to the admiralty the attack on Tripoli was extremely successful. Warehouses were fired and one was seen to explode.

The British also hit a seaplane station at Tripoli. On the afternoon of December 21 British aircraft caught a convoy of Italian merchant ships with only a destroyer as an escort. Swooping low to discharge their torpedoes, the British planes blew up one ship of 3,000 tons and sank another of 6,000 tons.

One British aircraft failed to return from the two operations. The air ministry also told of other successful operations in the same general territory. On Monday British fighters intercepted Italian planes on three different occasions, and four were definitely destroyed.

The air ministry also announced that it is definitely established—presumably by reconnaissance—that in the night attack on Benina the night of December 21 into the 22nd one hangar of the airport there burst out completely and three aircraft burnt out on the ground. In a recent raid on Italian East Africa the pumping station near Assab was straddled by bombs. Reconnaissance flights were also made here. A Rhodesian squadron made successful attacks on the Italians near Gallabat. All British aircraft returned safely.

Friendly Bombardment

Khartoum, Dec. 24 (AP).—The R. A. F. went on a very friendly bombing expedition today.

R. A. F. planes sailed over the entire British battleline in East Africa—from Eritrea to Sudan to the Red Sea to the Abyssinian frontier—and dropped packages of cigarettes, turkeys and plum puddings in an aerial Christmas gift distribution.

Some of the boys on the ground—British and Sudanese troops—were right in the middle of scrapping with the enemy when they got their presents.

Spain's Needy Receive Christmas Relief

Madrid, Dec. 24 (AP).—Generalissimo Francisco Franco ordered the distribution today of Christmas gifts of clothing, medicine, or modest cash allowances to the needy throughout Spain.

Mrs. Alexander Weddell, wife of the United States Ambassador, gave a Christmas party at the embassy for 90 Spanish orphans.

British Gird For Final Blow At Bardia Base

Italians Reported Facing Critical Water Shortage

By the Associated Press

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 24.—British forces besieging the key Italian base of Bardia indicated today they were almost ready for a final, full-fledged attack on that heavily fortified post for eight days has endured a rain of British shells and bombs and the increasing threat of empty water tanks.

While the British brought up reinforcements around Bardia and continued the artillery pounding of its defenses, the two Italian divisions locked in Bardia's lines were reported facing a critical water shortage.

The only official word on the progress of the British was a brief headquarters report that "the concentration of our troops and artillery preparation in the Bardia area are proceeding."

Other African fronts were unchanged, the command said.

An Associated Press writer at the front, Edward Kennedy, reported that the Italian defenses form a ring four to six miles outside Bardia. They are made up of arc-shaped trenches, pillboxes and barbed wire and behind these are heavy field guns.

From London came an admiralty report that British naval aircraft raided the harbor of Tripoli, in Italian Libya, about 700 air line miles west of Bardia and near French Tunisia, on December 20-21.

Two merchant ships were sunk on the afternoon of the twenty-first in a torpedo attack on a convoy, the British admiralty also reported.

British reports said the Italian air force, which the British declared had not figured much thus far in the fighting, has suddenly flown to the aid of the Bardia base.

Fierce Fighting Continues on Thai, Indo-China Front

Bangkok, Thailand, Dec. 24 (AP).—Fighting continued today without let-up in various sectors of the Thailand-French Indo-China frontier, a high command communique reported.

Heavy firing occurred yesterday on the upper Mekong River where the French opened rifle, artillery and machine-gun fire and Thai forces retaliated vigorously for five hours. Casualties were reported heavy on the French side. A French armored boat and an armed speedboat were damaged by the high command.

Last night French forces at Thak-mand said, and two other craft sunk, yet sent 120 shells across the frontier, said the communique. Thai guns replied until the French were quiet.

Christmas parties were held underground in the shelters, food was shared, and there was a show of merriment and "God Save the King" was sung. But above ground the city was described as tomblike, with fear everywhere that Germany had about completed preparations for her often-threatened drive across the Channel.

Conviction that such an attempt was soon to be made led the Royal Air Force in the past two days to attack savagely such possible jumping off places as Boulogne, Dunkirk and Ostend.

But it was considered significant that wires from London, with Christmas hours old, carried no word of any such bombings after dawn on Christmas Eve, and stressed the fact that German planes had dropped no bombs on England in the same period.

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Christmas Gift

Passage of the anti-pandering bill by the House on Monday came as a sort of Christmas present for the District. At least the action of the House had one element which characterizes most Christmas gifts. It came as a complete surprise to the recipient. When Congress lapsed into its present state of suspended animation, Washington reconciled itself to the loss of all local legislation pending before both houses.

In one other respect the phenomenal enactment of the anti-pandering bill may be worthy of note. When a full-fledged Congress was on the job, it was too busy to pass this and various other pieces of District legislation. Now that the holiday season has reduced Congress to about the size of a city council, it suddenly begins to function as such. The Senate passed this bill with only a handful of members on the floor, and it seems to have slipped through the House chiefly because none of the habitual objectors was left in the city.

Some may see in the success of this bill a new formula for the enactment of District legislation. Near the end of each session, why shouldn't Congress reduce itself to the size of a city council and go to work on previously neglected local bills? The difficulty is, of course, that when the Senate and House become miniature bodies they have to act by unanimous consent or not at all. Congress is so weary of the task of enacting municipal ordinances for the Capital City that it might consider delegation of its powers of local government to a designated group of its own members. But how much simpler it would be to turn over the job to a council of local citizens who would be neither overworked by national legislation nor unfamiliar with the requirements of the community they would be asked to serve!

A Barrier Goes Down

Not all trade barriers erected by the States can be eliminated by invoking the Constitution in the Federal courts. The Twenty-first amendment, for example, permits each State to establish a liquor monopoly within its borders if it cares to do so. But there are many instances in which States encroach upon the power of Congress to control interstate commerce, and in these cases action in the Supreme Court becomes an effective bar to economic compartmentalization of the United States.

The opinion handed down by the court on Monday in the case of *Best vs. Maxwell* is particularly refreshing because it reaffirms in sweeping language the intention of the court to preserve freedom of commerce among the States irrespective of disguised legislative restrictions. "The commerce clause," said Justice Reed, "forbids discrimination whether forthright or ingenious. . . . The freedom of commerce which allows the merchants of each State a regional or national market for their goods is not to be fettered by legislation the actual effect of which is to discriminate in favor of intrastate businesses, whatever may be the ostensible reach of the language."

The North Carolina statute which the court struck down imposed an "annual privilege tax" of \$250 on merchants from outside the State who display samples in temporarily occupied quarters for the purpose of securing retail orders. "Regular retail merchants" of North Carolina are taxed only \$1 per year for the privilege of doing business in that State. If such discriminations were allowed to stand, free commerce among the States would soon disappear. In the language of Justice Reed, "Interstate commerce can hardly survive in so hostile an atmosphere."

It is difficult to reconcile this clear-cut and positive decision with some other opinions the court has handed down recently. Last week it upheld a Wisconsin statute imposing a tax on dividends paid from earnings in Wisconsin, even though the company in question operates in many States. In this case the court appeared to be particularly eager to avoid interference with State taxing powers, but the result will certainly be to lay a burden upon interstate business. The

statement of what appears to be a broader rule in *Best vs. Maxwell* is an encouraging indication that the court does not intend to permit State taxes encroaching upon interstate business to run riot.

Advent

Two thousand years ago the event which all Christendom celebrates today took place in a humble crib. It was the birth of a child in the little town of Bethlehem five thousand miles away. Time and space may not be present in our hearts as we lift up our voices in the ritual of today's rejoicings. And yet they are of the essence of Advent, giving it meaning as a force in our daily lives.

For the event in the Middle Eastern manger marked the birth of a new light which brought a unity to mankind and an impulse. The ancient world had got to a barrier which it couldn't break through. It was beginning to crumble for want of vitality. Then the child was born. And the flame which had been lit in Bethlehem began to spread East and West, and North and South. Down the years it ran on, sometimes burning low, but keeping up a glow which has never once died out. Through the Dark Ages only a flicker was left. But, as man struggled back to his feet, he had at hand as his guide this life-giving touch which was at once the memory of his past and the promise of his future.

It is sometimes said that we are entering upon a new Dark Age. Truly the trials of the present world remind men with any sense of history of the scourges which assailed mankind in the early centuries of the Christian era. The Roman Empire sank under the spreading out of the Germanic Barbarians. The Tartar Huns in a brief flash rose in the Russian steppes and swept over Europe. It was a Christian England, and an England alone of all the Roman provinces, who held back the Barbarians. It was the Roman general Aetius, not the Barbarians, who threw back the Huns—an act which was a Christianized Roman Empire's last contribution to Europe. How similar is the chaos of today! Italy, with only a dream of another Roman Empire, is living in daily fear of Hitler's legions, and in her race memory she recalls the dread event of a millennium and a half ago. England still stands on the same rampart. And there are those who see in the new Muscovy the same old Tartar waiting to take over an exhausted Europe.

Even the same spiritual sickness has been at work which made easy the path of the Barbarian. It sprang in our present case from the setting up of false gods. First in Germany, where the idea of the total nation-state was grasped as a sort of refuge for Germany's age-old formlessness, then in Russia, where a materialistic concept of the universe sought to supersede the Christian order, the shocks to Christendom came in hammerblows years ahead of the clash at arms. And the edifice proved too weak and unsure to stand firm. For it had itself been eroded by the same sins of statolatry which we expressed in economic myths and political selfishness, and by an empty ethic. Thus the old unity had been enfeebled, the old impulse had run dry, and what H. A. L. Fisher calls the "seamless garment of civilization" had become a patchwork long before the throatcutting began.

No Christian order can be recaptured, till the Christian world rediscovers its commonality. Once more we must find unity. But there can be no unity till we have disavowed our false gods, restored the truth we have doubted, honored the word we have denied, and built up common standards. Life will then take on again the form it has lost. Our main hope is that the star that shone on the shepherds as they watched their flocks on the Bethlehem hillside and in the morning led the wise men of the East to the inn in the town is still shining.

Leaven In Uruguay

Uruguay's exceptionally important strategic location made that republic long ago a particular object of Nazi attention. Till recently, in fact, it was said to be cursed with one of the largest and most virulent Fifth Columns on the continent, and it was only in the nick of time that the Montevideo authorities last summer uncovered and scotched a far-reaching Nazi plot to seize the government and make Uruguay an appendage of the Third Reich.

The overwhelming majority of Uruguayans, however, far from being pro-Nazi, are pro-democratic and hostile to the totalitarian ideologies. This was revealed the other day when a British mission headed by Lord Willington arrived in Montevideo. It was received with fervent acclaim. Now a movement has begun in Uruguay to persuade the government to abandon its policy of strict neutrality for one of pro-British non-belligerence. In particular it is being

urged that Uruguay open the port of Montevideo to the unrestricted use of British warships patrolling the South Atlantic.

As one newspaper favoring this policy points out: "We have too much at stake—democracy, liberty, right, the existence of small nations and equality of races—to remain longer inert. It is all too plain that whether we desire it or not our destiny is united with that of Great Britain and the United States." It is also being recalled in Uruguay that Montevideo was opened to United States warships during the first World War, even though the republic did not follow the lead of such nations as Brazil and join the United States in belligerency.

Whether the Montevideo government will fall in line with this current public opinion is not clear. Various obstacles stand in the way. That this sentiment exists in, itself, however, proof that Nazi-Fascist propaganda has not succeeded in winning over Uruguayan public opinion or even in confusing it.

Eden And Russia

The replacement of Lord Halifax as British foreign secretary by Anthony Eden has aroused hope in London of an improvement in Anglo-Russian relations. This hope is the product of a widespread, but probably fallacious, belief, particularly prevalent in leftist circles, that the principal obstacle in the way of an Anglo-Russian rapprochement was the presence in the British government of men believed to be pro-appeasement and anti-Soviet. Since Eden was never identified with this group, his elevation to the foreign secretaryship, it is being said, may persuade the Kremlin to co-operate with Britain.

The trouble with this theory, however, is that had it been to Russia's interest, as seen by Stalin, to make a deal with Great Britain instead of Germany in 1939, she would have done so, despite the fact that Neville Chamberlain was then premier and Lord Halifax foreign secretary in the British cabinet. Certainly the fact that Hitler had in the past taken a violently anti-Bolshevik line, and had denounced the present rulers of Russia as scum and murderers, has not kept Stalin from underwriting the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact. Russia today may be justifiably skeptical of Hitler's promises and therefore may be fighting shy of any additional commitments to the Third Reich. But there is little that Great Britain can offer the Kremlin which would make it worth while for Russia to desert its alarmed neutrality.

Operatic Sabotage

A profusion of down-beats but very little harmony followed a presentation of "Hansel and Gretel" by the New Jersey Music Guild and the New Jersey WPA Symphony Orchestra. In fact, according to Guest Conductor David Mendoza, there was little harmony during the performance. Mr. Mendoza said that when he heard the orchestra in rehearsal, he was so delighted he would have been proud to take it into Carnegie Hall, and he couldn't understand how the same musicians could miss their cues as, he asserts, they did Sunday night in Newark.

Among Mr. Mendoza's supporters is John Cervasio, head of the guild, who is convinced that saboteurs were at work. "It seemed at times," he said, "as if the orchestra was getting away from Mr. Mendoza, and the opera was getting away from everybody. Maybe the orchestra was playing 'Hansel and Gretel' . . . Yes, and maybe France is still a republic." Ralph Errolle, who superintended the light-control board, added darkly that "this is the work of Fifth Columnists in the orchestra."

Probably we have not heard the last of this. Robert W. Allan, State WPA administrator, has promised an investigation. Mr. Mendoza, however, said he was going to "confer with a high WPA official in Washington and expose this disgraceful business." Go to it, Mr. Mendoza! We'll take a Fifth Columnist with a torch and bomb any time in preference to a saboteur with a trombone!

CHRISTMAS: 1940

*They sing the Holy Night along the Rhine,
They light the candles in Saint Peter's Dome;
But Christ is driven from the ravaged Shrine,
And on the Manger drops the shrieking bomb.*

*They bring us their "New Order" with the sword,
Enforce their "Edicts" by the tank and fire;
And on a thousand hills they hang the Lord,
And read His story by the Temple's pyre.*

*The headman's axe cures hunger and despair,
The mother's moan, the whimper of the child:
What shape is this that dangles on the air?
What is this altar blackened and defiled?*

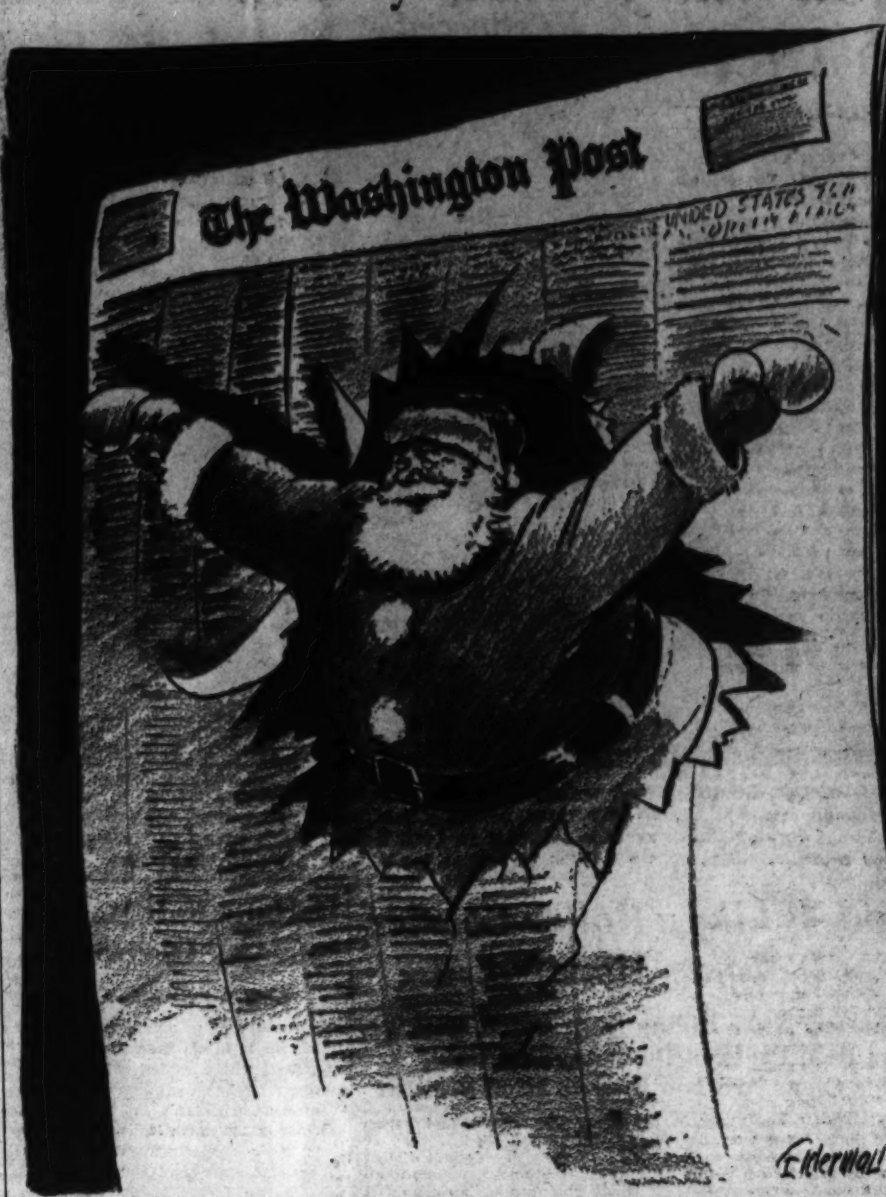
*Alas, this is Christmas after a new fashion:
The dagger drives His message home to men;
The gun cuts short His tedious compassion;
His blood is on the barrel-stock again.*

*Come, raise His broken body shoulder-high,
And lift your hearts and march against the night.*

*And break through death and shout His battle-cry—
And in the end, behold, the morning light!*

JOSEPH AUSLANDER

Merry Christmas



Letters To The Editor

Says We Must Fight

Should England win the war we as a people are definitely and publicly committed to the confession, made wisely or thoughtlessly, that she is fighting our battle. We are irrevocably committed to the admission that she is saving us from the slavery of Nazism.

Should she win under this circumstance, not only can we never collect for past assistance rendered her but we can never repay her magnanimity in the present crisis. The position is untenable for this brave nation. We will be forever England's debtor, and all because England dares to fight.

What, then, must be our next step? We must make full war on Nazi Germany, and make this our war. We must enter the fight with our own Army and Navy under the command of our own officers, just as Wilson and Pershing had us do in 1917. We must arm as best we can, even as we did then. Only with war declared will armaments be built faster. Again we are called upon to make the world safe for our democracy.

If we are to help England we must do so by fighting at her side as a full partner, assuming equal responsibility and taking equal credit. We cannot in self-respect hand her guns and say:

Fight till your last man expires;
Fight for our altars and our fires.

If we fail to take this step we are but sordid purveyors of weapons of war for profit and likely to earn the secret contempt of either victor. Only by fighting will we earn a deserved place at the peace table. The time is past when moral abstention from war will bring prestige to end the war.

ALBERT A. VOLK
New York, Dec. 21.

Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway

While lively discussion has been provoked by President Roosevelt's recent announcement that he intends to press for early completion of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence seaway and power project, there has been no reference to two important aspects of the development's historical background.

One, in the words of former President Hoover at Toronto in 1938, is that "the issue is not a political one in our history" and never has been. Since the first joint Canadian-American engineering survey was undertaken in the early twenties the project has had the successive support of Presidents Harding, Coolidge, Hoover and Roosevelt. President Wilson had earlier accorded the project his approval, too.

The other is that a group of our most influential conservative business interests was sufficiently convinced of the enterprise's economic soundness to engage in extensive constructive efforts to consummate a Great Lakes-St. Lawrence plan during the twenties. That group included a leading banking house and outstanding industrialists, and was headed by my old colleague, the late George T. Bishop. They held that the power rights would be sufficient payment for developing with private capital the whole project, including the navigation phase, which they planned to turn over to the public free. Under these auspices extensive engineering studies were made, detailed plans were formulated and popular support was organized in the Great Lakes area. After they formed

Facing The Issue

I have been asked to urge upon you the extreme necessity of warning your fellow citizens that this Nation's future existence is at stake today. Tell them the truth—this has been withheld thus far—that if the United States, lest the British Empire down now, it must be prepared to face a hostile world alone. The country can make this choice today, tomorrow this may not be possible.

Sober thinking men and women have preferred to leave unsaid what they and you know lay in store for their country, if the aggressor nations are victorious. They did themselves and their country an ill service by failing to warn those less able to discern the portent of past and present events.

Standing on the side lines handing out generous relief and genuine sympathy will not indefinitely maintain the morale of the brave civilian population of Great Britain. We have yet to realize that they are actually burying thousands in common graves—for a common cause.

The United States has got to fight for her own existence, not merely to help the British Empire, whose aid we need just as much as they need ours. It is our failure to realize this fact, which has created a false sense of security within us, for which there is no foundation.

The United States today needs courageous leaders who, realizing the present national danger, have faith in the willingness of the men and women of our country to face the issue—however hard it may be—before it is too late.

REGINALD J. VICKERS
The Plains, N. Y., Dec. 21.

Lothian's Last Speech

If Lord Lothian's tragic death stimulates the people of America to study, and give greater heed to, his last speech—perhaps the greatest that has been made, so far, about the war—and to take note of the facts he so plainly and simply gives us, and of the warnings of what will happen if America fails to do her part, then indeed he will not have died in vain. He will have done more than one man's share in helping to save civilization and the world from the domination of Hitler and the slavery and degradation of humanity which Hitler and the group of ruthless, cruel, unscrupulous men he has gathered around him are now enforcing upon a large part of Europe. Hitler, in his latest speech, boasts that he can destroy the value of gold and beat the whole world. He expects to spread his doctrine of military might, of hate, intolerance, and blood and iron, in all countries.

If the last speech of the late British Ambassador, in its noble effort to warn us of the imminence of the danger, succeeds in awakening America, in rousing her from her false sense of security and inspiring her to redouble her efforts to help in this great struggle against the forces of evil, then indeed the whole world will have cause to bless the name of Lord Lothian.

JULIET BARRETT RUBLEE
Washington, Dec. 15.

Against Credit

Looks like Wendell Willkie knew what he was talking about during the campaign, judging from existing conditions.

And now the people of the United States, who are not at war with anybody, are to be asked to extend billions of credit to a nation who repudiated its war debts on the specious theory that "England is fighting our battle." The Nation is being mesmerized into a war complex by propaganda. If England needs money let her do what individuals do, who own real estate and go short of funds—sell it.

My progenitors helped settle this country 300 years ago, and I protest against the speculative theories being brought forth. If we had put our house in order and minded our own business instead of putting into foreign fights we would not be in this mess. EUGENE HUGHES.
Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 21.

Two Festivals
This year Christmas, the birthday of the Savior, and the festival of Chanukah, which commemorates the triumphant victory of the people of whom Christ came, over the Syrians, are falling at the same time. Each time through the ages, when these festivals come together it is of great significance. Let's pray and hope that this time, too, the Lord will again show mercy for his children and relieve us all of our enemies and diseases and restore lasting peace, prosperity, good will and equality for all, so that all of us may enjoy the Lord's blessings.

ANNA LANSBROUGH
Washington, Dec. 22.

Slow But Sure

To me, democracy is more than just "a way of life"; it is "a way of life" for the human attainment of a better "way of life" through the medium of intelligence, rather than by force.

It is apparently both slow and cumbersome in its functioning. I admit, but I feel that it is better to be slow and cumbersome and get somewhere than to get nowhere in a hall of hurry. Very truly yours,
J. J. SPERRY.
Woodstock, Va., Dec. 24.

Now just what did they mean by that, Mrs. Claus asked herself. Did her friends know something they weren't telling her? What went on when Santa took that round-the-world trip? Of course he said it was a duty trip.

That night she complained to her husband:

"I'm the only wife in the world who has to stay at home by herself on Christmas Eve. It looks queer the way you go off and leave me."

She began to cry. She cried on his shoulder until his fine red suit was spotted with her tears.

"There, there, my sweet," Santa patted her absent-mindedly. "Don't you remember when you married me you said you were proud to marry a man whose name was a household word? You said you were proud to share your husband with the world."

"I've shared enough," Mrs. Claus replied. "It's time we put something by for our old age, instead of squandering it on your shiffling beggars."

Santa frowned.

"They're not beggars," he told her. "They bring me their sweetest hopes at Christmas time. Little children wish for joy. Lovers seek to be assured of love. Lonely souls dare to hope for comradeship."

"Nonsense! You idealize people, Santa. I've seen their filthy letters. The children ask for electric trains and plush elephants. The lovers ask for diamond rings and silver cigarette cases."

"That's what they say in their letters," Santa admitted. "But I've learned to read between the lines. I know what they really want."

After that, Mrs. Claus watched his mail suspiciously. It was an enormous mass. Mrs. Claus would sneak a letter out of a mailbox and read it. She learned how to open the flap of an envelope by rolling a pen handle under it, and then how to glue it again so that nobody could tell she had been tampering with it.

Santa claimed that his letters were mostly from children, but how could she be sure unless she looked? It was terrible to think how many pretty women he must meet on his long trips. And most of them asked him to bring them cosmetics, too. What was that, for?

Once she asked:

"Why do you travel in that silly old sleigh with those rheumatic reindeer? An airplane would be much more sensible and you could get back home in half the time."

"Why, public would be disappointed," he explained. "Without the reindeer, where would be the romance?"

"Oh! So you still fancy yourself as a romantic figure, do you?" Self-consciously, Santa drew in his belt a necktie.

"I guess I don't look very dashing," he said sadly. "But I wasn't using the word 'romance' in that sense. I was thinking of the sweetness of traditions and the memories of the beauty of all life. My reindeer are living creatures. An airplane is a machine, a death-dealing machine. The world is full of machines. From me, my people want imagination . . . mystery . . . life . . ."

"So I married a poet?" Mrs. Claus was scornful. "And you told me you were a big business man, the world's largest toy maker. What's men are!"

But she found that neither mockery nor blandishment nor tears could avail to keep Santa back from his annual trip. So when Christmas Eve arrived, she tried her last appeal. She said:

"I am ill. Surely you will not leave me, lest I die!"

Santa laid his finger along the side of his nose.

"There's a clever doctor on the other side of the North Pole," he assured her. "I'll fetch him and he will cure you quickly."

Striding across the hard packed snow, he jumped into his sleigh.

"Get up, Blitzen! Get up, Donner!" he shouted.

Back in the lair, Mrs. Claus sobbed, face downward on her couch.

"I just know he has gone to meet some scheming woman," she told herself. "All this about having a Great Work to do in the world is nothing but talk. I know what!"

But Santa drove serenely through the night. The moonlight was as bright as day, and he picked a book from his sack and began to read. It was a very good book, a first edition, which he was taking to a book-lover. He turned a dog-eared page, and slowly deciphered a time-worn phrase . . . "To be alone with silence . . ."

MARY BADGER WILSON

Christmas At Peace

By Ernest Lindley

Outlining Issues

THE MOST profound cause for rejoicing which this Nation has this Christmas is, I suppose, that it is free and at peace.

Several of my gloomier friends have explained their especially bountiful preparations for Christmas as a final spurge before we go to war and therefore cease to have peace to be thankful for. Some of them think we are being drawn into the war by a kind of centrifugal force. Some think it is because we ought to pitch in to help lick the Nazis. Some think it is because Roosevelt and various "interventionists" are plotting to take us to war.

By a year from now, or in less time, we may be at war. Nobody can deny the possibility. But this is an appropriate time to read and underline William Allen White's reply to an inquiry from Roy W. Howard. Mr. White is the chairman of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. This is the chief propaganda organization of the so-called "interventionists." Many good Americans seem to believe that Mr. White and his committee are trying to steer us into war.

BUT THIS is what Mr. White says: "War would defeat the first and last end for which our committee is organized . . . and bring on a 30-year conflict." Neither he nor any of his policy-making committees has ever seriously discussed our going to war as an alternative objective to aid of England by means short of war. He is against changing the Neutrality Act to permit American ships to go to British ports, under convoy or otherwise. He is against repeal of the Johnson Act. If he had his way the motto of the committee would be: "The Yanks Are Not Coming."

These are strong and unequivocal statements. Mr. White admits that some members of his organization are more war-minded than he is. But he is the boss and he made his statement on behalf not only of himself but of his policy-making committee.

On the other side, the America First Committee has been behaving as if Mr. White and his committee were warmongers. And a new Foreign War Committee has just been launched to help frustrate Mr. White's warlike aims.

IF THESE two committees really stand for what they say they stand for, there is no irreconcilable cleavage between them and the aims set forth by Mr. White. They profess to be in favor of aid to Britain—up to the present level. They deny, of course, any kindly feelings towards the Nazis. They profess to be concerned only with the safety and welfare of the United States—and most of all, if not all, their members probably are.

All except perhaps a small handful of American citizens, it may be presumed, want to keep out of war but want to see the Nazis defeated. At least, they earnestly hope that the British will not be defeated. For they know that if the British are defeated, the peril to us sharply increases.

The people who are continually warning that we are being dragged into war by the "interventionists" almost invariably declare that they favor a strong national defense. They often boast that they saw the need for a stronger national defense before the President and Secretary Hull did.

DEFENSE against whom? Obviously we are not building a two-ocean navy, an air force of 36,000 planes and pilots, and a modern army to defend ourselves against the British, if they drag us into the war. We are building our defenses for use in case the British lose.

It should seem plain enough, therefore, that if we can keep the British from losing by aid short of war, it is profoundly to our advantage, and will save us billions of dollars and perhaps millions of lives in the future. That is the analysis behind the White Committee's efforts. And it obviously is the President's analysis—although on details of policy he and the White Committee may not agree.

What the President is trying to do is to win a war without the loss of American lives. He will succeed in this policy if the British continue to fight.

BRITISH successes in the Mediterranean do not alter the fact that the real war is between Germany and Great Britain. In this war the critical test has not yet come. Hitler has not yet attempted the knockout attack on Great Britain. Until he has made that attempt—and won or lost it—the outcome of the struggle remains dreadfully uncertain. Almost certainly he will try it within a few months, because after that time our production of planes and other weapons for British use will substantially increase. If the war drags on until our plane production really gets under way, Hitler will be doomed. It is to help the British withstand the blow that the President, Secretary Hull, Mr. Knudsen, and all others who are privy to diplomatic advice from abroad are imploring American industry and labor to speed up the output of war material during the next hundred days.

If the all-out attack on Britain succeeds or seems about to succeed, we will face a critical decision in foreign policy. If it fails or is postponed, the chances are more than good that a year from now we will again be able to rejoice that we are at peace.

On The Record

By Dorothy Thompson

Christmas, 1932—Christmas, 1940

THERE WAS A KIND of brilliant glamour over Europe that year, although in the back of our minds we sensed it as euphoria; the sudden flush of health before death or the preternatural calm before the storm.

Something had drawn us back to Europe, and I had dragged the family toward Austria. "One last winter in Austria before . . ." To be near Vienna and yet in the country induced us to take a chalet in the mountains, two hours away—one of those half-timbered Austrian houses, with deep, overhanging eaves, carved wooden balconies and a first story of plaster and stone. There were the three of us and my sister and her little girl, quite a family. The place was something of a winter resort, and hearty was a hotel, to which, for over a week, we were accommodated as a family. It was a villa large enough to accommodate a large group.

WHEN WE HAD the villa for a week and invited that potpourri of American and European friends to spend Christmas with us, we hardly thought that they would all accept. They came from Germany and Hungary, from England and from spots in between. They were married and unmarried and engaged to be married. There were children and nurses, and every room in the villa and every bed in the chalet were taken. Many of them had never met each other before.

They were all highly individualized people. The party might have been a catastrophe. There were occasional moments when it seemed it might be. Political viewpoints varied from pretty far left to a very English Tory right. Yet together they represented a cross-section of a European and American world which was both representative and selective. Our guests were modestly representative of that civilization common to Europe and America. We all spoke the same language, although with varying accents. We all believed in the same essential values. When the party broke up we were all better friends than we had been before.

THE JOURNALISTS among us were several, all Americans—old us that this would be the last Christmas before Hitler. This disturbed us. No one thought he was under the drastic character of the new German regime. Some speculated learnedly about its nature. Yet we all felt a certain detachment about it. We talked about it as though it were due to happen in history—or had happened a hundred years back or a hundred years ahead. We were intellectually concerned, but not personally.

Only one of the party, a German, a woman and an artist, had nothing to do with politics, interrupted a quite nonpolitical conversation over lunch in one of those delightful remote mountain inns, whether we had betaken ourselves on skis and in sleighs. She pushed her glass of hot spiced wine away from her, and looked round on the gay crowd. "There'll never be another Christmas like this one," she cried. "It won't happen again."

Four or five years from now perhaps we shall all hate each other. And we shall be scattered all over the earth. We are just the people who are going to be hit. "Don't you see it?" "Why well," somebody asked. "People with minds of their own," she answered.

BY A ROUNDABOUT route, I had a letter from her the other day. She is marooned in the south of France. She wanted to know whether there was any way, any route, by which I could send her a little money. She could not go back to Germany—although she had never taken any political action in her life, and her race has never come into question. She just happened to have the wrong friends.

Greetings have reached me from one of us. He is in a British prison camp. He is a German with a famous family name. He lived in England, for he couldn't stand the Nazis. But on the whole question as it involved Germany he couldn't quite make up his mind, my hamlet friend. To be caught between two stools is to be interned. He writes: "Thanks for the books. Thanks that you know I haven't changed."

"Santa was late this year—I heard him come in about 6 o'clock this morning!"

Don't worry about me. Millions are worse off. And a merry Christmas."

BUT THE OTHER German friend—the young one, the handsome one, the one we all liked best? He is in Germany, and he has an important position there. When we think about him, we have a constricted feeling around the chest. How could he have changed? He, especially he. Didn't he say then—but it is better not to write what he said then. Funny, a few weeks ago I got a message. Not from him but from him via her via him. Very short, "Sends love."

What a wonderful feeling. Maybe he has not changed. Certainly he has not changed. "Sends love." Mary was the modest and the happiest. She was making up her mind to marry a Polish nobleman. She thought she was making it up, but we all knew she had already done so. She was very beautiful, very clever, and most romantically in love. She was married quite soon after the party, and went to live on an estate and had children and looked much more like a princess than most princesses ever do.

She called the other day. "It was lucky I was an American," she had letters from friends. "Countess B— has been transported to Turkestan. She is such a fine, gentle old lady. She lives in an unheated hut, with a mud floor. She has to work in the fields, dig with her bare hands. She will die . . . Was it her fault she was born an aristocrat? If they wanted to take the estate—people don't care much about things like that any more. . . . But couldn't she have lived in the gardener's cottage? They were poor enough anyhow. But to be transported . . . To die in exile . . ."

No one understands, and no one cares much, apparently, what has happened to the Poles. A million must have perished. A hundred thousand, at least, transported to Germany. They have to work 16 hours a day and no wages. In Russian Poland, little A— is working in a brick kiln, her arms burnt to the shoulder. She's 11 years old. Mary's face looked better. "I couldn't say," a merry Christmas.

ANN IS HERE, too, with her small children. "Peter couldn't bear it that the children should stay in England. They were too small to come alone."

. . . If only he would take more precautions. He wrote me, quite lately, that he was blown out of his bed. Out of his bed! I cabled him what he was doing in it? "Why wasn't he in a shelter?"

"He's working terribly hard—has a wonderful job. Only if I were there! I want to be there, not here."

"You won't recognize England when this war is over. Something wonderful is happening to England."

"Socialism?" "You can't label it. Yes, I suppose so. But not the kind B. used to talk about. By the way, what's become of B.?"

B. was the left-winger at the party. She thought the Soviet Union was the hope of mankind. I don't know what has become of B.

OSCAR'S HERE, too, and has a job, thank heavens. He had American connections and is the kind who fits into things. But his wife takes up her guitar in the evening and strums Slovakian songs, from the country where she grew up. And then, sometimes, she cries. She says, "I know—we are among the lucky ones"—and cries.

They were all civilized and intelligent people, and they all knew it was coming. "But it won't affect us."

Bob and his wife are in England, both of them in the home defense. "And a merry Christmas."

ALL THE AMERICAN journalists "lost their European jobs." This country thinks just the way all the others did—everyone wakes too late, one of them said the other day, moving restlessly. "Odd, how you can't sell experience. They tell me at the paper, that I have a one-track mind." He got up moodily and went. "So long, and a merry Christmas."

The one we liked best, the German, the youngest, couldn't have changed, not he. "Sends love!" Send love to you with my faith. . . . and a merry Christmas.

Fair Enough

By Westbrook Pegler

My Dear Enemies

AT THIS Christmas time I should like to take occasion to say that, in the matter of loving one's enemies, I am shooting a perfect score, and will greet the day with a serene conscience. My enemies are good, reliable enemies, always ready to serve me in my daily work, and, in return, I may honestly say that I am nuts about them—as enemies.

At the top of the list stands the name of Adolf Hitler, the most satisfactory, servicable enemy that ever lived in the world. I have given him a day's work in these last seven or eight years, and who stands up after all this time, as bad and as versatile in his wickedness as he was the first time I ever wrote his name. Nothing good do I know of Mr. Hitler, and if anyone should try to tell me of some obscure virtue of his I would refuse to listen. Let I might loath, and therefore love, him less.

NEXT I suppose I might rate the gangster, George Brown, the underworld's first column in the American labor movement, although this enmity is not at all personal, as far as I am concerned.

Probably on Mr. Brown's part there is a little personal warmth, because after all he was going along very well and putting him self away with the public as a legitimate labor leader until these dispatches began to discover and blab them all over the place. But on my part, the gangster is just a good, steady enemy who is going to be thrown out of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor one of these days, and who probably will take with him Joe Padway, the general counsel of the outfit, although Mr. Padway may need a little more going over before he can be made to let loose of his soft job.

When the old gangster does go I will be sorry, in a way, because he has been a standard, and his refusal to resign during the recent convention was really a favor to me. As long as the gangster stays I can use him to good effect by way of proving that the A. F. of L. is a front for racketeers and criminals. The only statement which has distressed Will Green, but which I have proved and he can't disprove.

STILL, you can't expect an enemy to serve you all your life, using him the way I use the gangster, and I must say that he has given me much better service than I expected. He is not a near perfect tool, because he can't even bother with a denial that he is an habitual associate of criminals.

The Communists in the key position of the American Newspaper Guild also have given good service, and I should be guilty of ingratitude if, at this time, I did not acknowledge the fact. They are particularly satisfactory, because they have had the goodness to make themselves so offensive to the American members of the guild that it is no longer just my opinion against a whole organization.

In the last year the Americans or non-Communists have found it necessary to ignore the old protective cry of Red-baiter, which protected the Muscovite in so much treachery, and now they are merely baiting the bolos in the corner of the organization itself. This, of course, is a satisfaction, but to get down to fundamentals, the Communists are the ones who really deserve my gratitude. They're the dirty work, the trickery and the tunneling which gains for this very enjoyable enemy, and I love them for it.

I THOUGHT for a time there, just after election, that I might have to ask waivers on old Harold L. (for Lavalier) Ickes, but the talk of unity proved to be just talk, after all, and he is now back in action in a most satisfactory way, trying to import whole batches of refugees, regardless of the possibility that most or all of them would be Communists, and drop them into a lovely vacation land in the Virgin Islands, where they could alter into the United States. As Mr. Ickes so often does, he overspoke himself, however, and it seems likely that the citizens will fix his wagon if he tries any funny business in this respect. "Without passports or diplomatic formalities." Liked in that, however, Old Reliable will think up something else, and I look forward to many happy hours of unity with him.

There are others, of course, but these are my pets who have failed me not.

Do I love my enemies? I am crazy about them.



VICTOR EMMANUEL III with Il Duce. Barnett Nover observes that "the Italian people have always regarded the King less as an accomplice than as a prisoner of the Fascist regime"

The Capital Parade

By Joseph Alsop and Robert Kintner

The Man Of Good Will

THESE WORDS appear on Christmas day, when it is suitable to write of peace on earth and good will among men. This Christmas there is no peace on earth, and men of good will are all too rare in the political waste land of Washington. Fortunately, however, Cordell Hull is still at the State Department, still believes with all his heart and all his mind in human decency and human freedom, and still ready to fight for them whenever necessary.

There are times when this figure from an earlier America, whose father was a feudist, who grew up in the Tennessee backwoods, who speaks with the salty, deliberate tongue of a man from the hill country, seems strangely out of place as the Secretary of State of the United States in the year of rather doubtful grace, 1940. Yet the people have reason to be grateful to him, for he has seen the terrible realities of our times as clearly, and faced them as squarely, as any other man in public life. And that is the highest service the people can expect.

CORDELL HULL'S special triumph is that almost from the instant of taking office, little prepared though he was for the intricacies of international affairs, he grasped the meaning of the rise of the tyrant states. He saw them then, and sees them now, as subverters of the principles of law and order, which must prevail alone. In public, in the period when American foreign policy was largely a matter of words, he spoke unflinchingly for order and for law. In private he warned every man and woman who would listen to him that if the rise of the new tyranny were not checked, what has happened would happen.

Since this country began to have a foreign policy that really meant something, he has proved his instinctive rightness again and again. In the spring of 1939, when the President hesitated to attempt repeal of the arms embargo because he feared the British Conservatives might try another appeasement, Hull saw that neither Chamberlain nor Simon could defy the will of a free people, and insisted that the attempt be made whatever the outcome. In the summer of 1940, when some of his subordinates wished to experiment with appeasement in the Far East, Hull fought for a firm policy, won his fight, and saw his stand justified by the event. Only a few weeks ago, when a good many members of the Administration seemed to succumb to a general lassitude, he galvanized them into renewed action.

He is the same in all but one respect. Woodrow Wilson once said to Bernard M. Baruch, "When a man takes a job in the Government, I know he will do one of two things. He will grow, or he will swell." Cordell Hull has grown, in sureness, in sound sense, and in fervor of honest conviction.



... and to all
A Merry Christmas
The Newer Jelliffe

Walls Of Jericho

By Barnett Nover

Can Mussolini Be Overthrown?

IT IS WRITTEN in the sixth chapter of the Book of Joshua that when the priests accompanying the army besieged Jericho "blew with their trumpets," . . . "the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city."

One speech, even from such a master of the clarion phrase as Winston Churchill is hardly likely to prove of equal potency. The Fascist regime in Italy is being fiercely assailed from without. A succession of disastrous military defeats in the Balkans and in Africa has sapped the foundations of Mussolini's power. He stands before his people and the world as a magician with an empty hat, the rabbits having all escaped to the wings in full sight of a once-admiring audience.

Yet, however badly things may be going for the Duce he continues to possess within Italy a formidable apparatus of power. His regime may be incapable of conquering Greeks and Englishmen. It may, for a while longer at least, be strong enough to continue subjugating Italians, the people whom Mussolini conquered first.

IF THERE IS to be an uprising in Italy, and that is no longer beyond the bounds of probability, the disaffection which undoubtedly exists among the Italian people must spread to those capable of replacing him.

Who are these elements? There is, first and foremost of all, the Fascist Party itself. For close on two decades it has, under Mussolini's direction and control, extended its authority over a widening area of Italian national life. The army, education, industry, the press, the police are in their, which means Mussolini's, grasp. The destruction of the present regime would imperil that large number of individuals who for years have been drinking the heady wine of power. Will they, can they, rebel against Mussolini?

At first glance it would seem unlikely that they would or could. That would certainly be true of the Farinacci, the Ciano, the Alfieri and others too completely identified with the regime to be able to break with it. Yet when and if it becomes plain that fascism is a sinking ship the number of would-be deserters among erstwhile Fascists is certain to grow. For the time being, however, the very fact that the regime is in danger may result in a closing of ranks, certainly among the more conspicuous beneficiaries of Mussolini's rule.

THERE IS THE CROWN. During these 18 years of Mussolinian rule the monarch has played a

curious role. Victor Emmanuel III violated his oath of office when he allowed Mussolini to throw overboard the old liberal constitution. If the King has ever opposed any measures taken by the Fascist government there is no evidence of it. He swallowed it all—the elimination of civil liberties, the OVRA, the penal colonies, the war on Ethiopia, the alliance with Germany, official anti-Semitism, the cowardly assault on France when that former ally of Italy's was in extremis, the invasion of Greece. Yet despite this inglorious record the monarch may yet save himself and his dynasty by serving as the center of opposition to the regime. For the Italian people have always regarded the King less as an accomplice than as a prisoner of the Fascist regime.

But the crown cannot become a center of opposition, even should it want to do so, unless it can be certain that the power which Mussolini continues to command within Italy can be offset and overwhelmed. This means that the army or a large part of the army must first rebel against Mussolini and place itself at the disposal of the throne.

IN OTHER WORDS, if Mussolini is to be overthrown he will have to be overthrown by armed force from within Italy. So far there is no indication that the army is prepared to take the initiative in bringing about such an upset. The defections which Italy has suffered in Albania and Africa are still, to an extent, tempered by the circumstance that since these disasters have all taken place outside the peninsula their full magnitude may not yet be fully realized within Italy itself. With each passing day, however, that hope of victory grows less and the realization of the sorry plight in which Italy now finds herself becomes clearer to the people of that kingdom, and in particular to the armed forces. Thus the truth of Winston Churchill's speech is brought home to them.

In October, 1918, when the German government sent out feelers to President Wilson, the latter made it clear that the United States would have no dealings with a regime headed by the Kaiser. Within a month, the Kaiser was in exile. For the German army wanted peace, and to get peace had to desert the monarch. In making a sharp distinction between Mussolini and the Italian people whom he has betrayed, Churchill has sharpened an issue which already exists in the kingdom. The ultimate success of his maneuver will depend, however, on the success of British arms. There is no respite of prestige and power like defeat.



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By Ed Reed



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Merry Christmas, Happy Birthday, Andrea



LITTLE Andrea Mae Leinson, who was born eight weeks prematurely last Christmas Day and spent the first three months of her life in an incubator, will celebrate her first birthday tomorrow.

Now a robust child of 22 pounds, she will observe Christmas and her successful fight for life at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leinson, of 133 Webster Street Northwest.

The young lady since coming home has gained nearly 20 pounds, has taken her first steps, and has developed a fluent vocabulary of coos and other expressions.

She shows a weakness for large toys, but refuses to say what she wants from Santa. Interviewed on the subject yesterday, she said, "gurgle."

Her Christmas dinner will subsist of fruit and vegetables, topped off with a liquorless eggnog.

Providence Remembers 1,000

Post Staff Photo
More than 1,000 youngsters on the dispensary roster of Providence Hospital received gifts from the medical and nursing staffs, the women's auxiliary and the Elks' lodge at a Christmas Eve party. Surrounding Santa (Jack O'Connell) are Billy Farrell, Vivian Thornberg, Barbara Ellen Farrell and Donald Thornberg. Rear—Hazel Farrell, Nurse Ann Giebel and Nurse Mary Bullick.

They Really Mean 'Merry Christmas'

Associated Press Photo
Harry L. Hopkins took his 8-year-old daughter, Diana, on a tour of the White House yesterday and what attracted her most was this sign in the office of Stephen Early, secretary to the President. The child and her father are holiday guests of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.



Where Mother and Five Children Met Death—

ruins, and firemen still trying to cool the embers to search for his family

Smoldering ruins of the home at Oxon Hill, Md., in which Mrs. Dorothy C. Heinbuch, 34, and her five children were burned to death on Christmas Eve. Alton M. Heinbuch (shown in center of inset) arrived home from his recently secured night job with the American Stores, Inc., to find his home in



Army Post Visited By Santa

Post Staff Photo
'Twas the night before Christmas... Santa bearing many gifts didn't forget Fort Myer... In a candlelight ceremony in Fort Myer Chapel children at the Army post received their gifts. Here, Betty Mottern introduces Isabella Luckembach, 19-month-old daughter of Lieut. E. A. Luckembach, to Santa (Sergt. N. J. DeRosa).

As We'd Tell It

Baby Born in Bethlehem Hailed as True Messiah

Last of six daily articles retelling the story of the first Christmas as a modern newspaperman might have given the reports available at the time.

Jericho, Dec. 25 (The First Christmas).—The Messiah, whose coming long has been prophesied, was born early today in Bethlehem.

He comes of humble parentage, Joseph and Mary of Nazareth, but nevertheless of King David's lineage.

Reports from Bethlehem that He is no ordinary King but a Great Saviour, were confirmed by the chief priests of the Sanhedrin who were summoned into extraordinary session early today by King Herod.

SHEPHERDS DISCLOSE MESSAGE GIVEN THEM

Bethlehem, Dec. 25 (The First Christmas).—The shepherds made known today the sayings that were told to them concerning the Christ child and the sign that was given them to recognize Him in an humble manger of the grotto in which he was born to Mary of Nazareth.

They repeated the following:

"Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

"If it is true, as these reports say, that the Messiah has come, where is it that he would be born?" demanded the King of the learned men.

"In Bethlehem of Judea," they said to him. "For thus it is written by the prophet: And thou, Bethlehem, in the Land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda, for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people, Israel."

Messengers from Bethlehem brought tidings of the events there to the King and meanwhile three Wise Men from the East had arrived, saying: "Where is He that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star and are come to worship Him."



MARY AND HER SON

Herod was greatly disturbed, his mind already having been tortured by the intrigues and conspiracies of his court. These he thought he had ended forever through the execution of his beautiful wife, Mariamne; and his two sons, Alexander and Aristobulus; and the killing of a third son, Antipater, on the charge he was plotting to poison his father.

The gentle Hillel, president of the Sanhedrin, counseled the King in a lengthy, private session. Undoubtedly he recalled to the King's notice the prophecy of the Judean poet that a new kingdom is at hand in which the scepter would be held by "a Holy King, a prince of peace... to rule over all the nations of the earth during all time."

Thus it is a prophecy that concerns greater lands than Judea; perhaps greater even than those known to the Wise Men of today.

Herod, graceful in the talent of transferring allegiances, listened to these words. Thereafter he granted the Wise Men an audience.

"Go and search diligently for the young child," said he. "When ye have found him bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also."

Mother, 5 Children Perish in Md. Fire

D. C. Man Returns From Night Job With Christmas Plans to Find Family Dead In Ruins of New Home He Had Built

Looking forward to a Merry Christmas, Alton M. Heinbuch, 36, returned from his newly found night job to his newly built home near Fort Poo in nearby Maryland early yesterday to find it a smoldering ruin that held the charred bodies of his wife and five children.

Mrs. Dorothy C. Heinbuch, 34, and their children, Catharine, 15; Helen, 13; Alta, 12; Grace, 10, and Conrad, 6, perished in the blazing residence before firemen could arrive to fight the flames which started about 7:30 a. m.

The firemen were trying to cool the glowing timbers to permit a search for the bodies when Heinbuch returned from work at the American Stores, Inc., in Washington.

The fire was first noticed at 7:30 a. m. by Jimmy Budd, 13, who lives across the road, when he looked out of the window after breakfast and saw what he believed was a fire in the back yard of the Heinbuch home. Investigating further he heard what he described as a "boom" and saw a burst of flames leap through the roof. Prince Georges County police, who investigated the fire, believe the boy heard an explosion of one of the oil stoves in the house.

Went to Brother's Home
Young Budd rushed to the home of Kenneth Heinbuch, a brother of the father, to notify him of the fire. Mrs. Cleveland Kirby, who lives down the road a little way, was grounded to phone for the Oxon Hill Volunteer Fire Department.

Other companies responding were those of Forestville Boulevard Heights, Clifton, and Clifton.

Firemen said the roof and second floor had collapsed and only a portion of the walls was standing when they arrived shortly after 8 o'clock. They were able only to cool off the flames and prevent spreading of the fire.

Apparently the sleepers had never awakened, as their bodies in the wreckage indicated there had been no attempt to escape.

The discovery of the body of the family dog in the ruins led to the belief that his family had been overcome by fumes from one of the oil stoves before the fire actually broke out. Had the dog been alive, it would undoubtedly have aroused the family when the fire started, it was believed.

In spite of the usual habit of the family to turn off all stoves before retiring, as stated by Heinbuch, Officer Edwin Cissel reported that the indicator on the larger stove was in the "burn" position with the wick up and the tank empty. Fumes from this stove could have overcome the sleepers, in his opinion, before the explosion occurred.

Dr. James I. Boyd, county medical officer, issued certificates of accidental death by burning following autopsies.

The stricken father will stay with his brother for the time being. Faced with the loss of his family and the complete demolition of the home which he had built himself

'The Angel' Plays Santa



ANYTHING'S AN IMPROVEMENT—Maurice Tillet, "The Angel" of wrestling fame, arrived in Chicago yesterday and hid himself behind whiskers and a Santa Claus outfit—not as a favor to the town, but to prove he had the Christmas spirit. It's doubtful that the whiskers will fool anyone

only last April, he was razed by shock.

All of the bodies were charred and burned beyond possible identification, and it was only by the sizes of the bodies and their positions in the ruins of the home that Heinbuch was able to designate the remains of his family. The bodies were taken to Ritchie Brothers undertakers' establishment in Marlboro.

Scattered among the ashes mingled with bits of household utensils and iron furniture, were Christmas toys. Alongside of twisted pieces of electric train track lay parts of a toy truck and a blackened porcelain doll's head.

Mrs. Heinbuch, together with her children and a boy friend of the oldest girl, had spent the early part of the previous evening making decorative wreaths for which she had a sale in the neighborhood. These, too, were destroyed in the burning home.

'A New France Is Born,' Petain Tells 'Children'

'Take Courage, Close Your Ranks About Me,' Marshal Broadcasts

By Lansing Warren

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Vichy, France, Dec. 24.—In a Christmas Eve broadcast of Marshal Petain voiced the thoughts of every one turning toward the 2,000,000 prisoners and others who are suffering far from their homes in France this year. But his message was one of hope.

"A new France is born," he Marshal said. "Have confidence, my friends. Take courage and close your ranks about me tonight so that this new France may develop and gather strength."

The message expressed a feeling of relief after a week of tension when it was feared that France might soon again be in the midst of trials comparable with the worst she has endured. But tonight the tension had relaxed and the Marshal attended the cinema for a benefit performance.

There were few important celebrations of the revolution fete in Vichy or in other parts of France. Some family parties were held and some entertainments for charity. Restaurants and cafes here were authorized to remain open until 2 a. m.

That the Marshal's popularity has not suffered in the recent crisis was evidenced by the respectful attitude that greets him wherever he goes and notably in his public appearances tonight. Another more tangible proof was given in the announcement made today that the rebel officers and men imprisoned at Dakar had formally rendered their submission to the Marshal and he has announced his clemency to be followed by their reinstatement in the French forces.

There were many homes in both occupied and unoccupied zones tonight in which family members were missing and in addition, there was much real suffering. To these the Marshal's broadcast words brought comfort.

"Let us not forget," he said, "that Christmas is a festival of hope. Our nation will rise stronger and greater for the sufferings you endure."

"Happy Christmas my children, and vive la France!"

Aluminum Lack Cuts Output, Plane Aide Says

Northrop Manager Makes Charge; Shortage Denied

By the Associated Press

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—LaMotte T. Cohn, general manager of Northrop Aircraft Corporation, said there was a shortage of aluminum, necessitating reduction of working hours by 20 per cent, reiterated his statement today when informed that the Aluminum Company of America denied the shortage.

"We still do not have the aluminum," Cohn said.

"We have had no word of a shipment of aluminum," he added. A spokesman for the Aluminum Company said a shipment of material was sent to Northrop last week.

Northrop, which holds National Defense contracts totaling \$10,000,000, said it was obliged to cut the working time of 2,000 employees from 10 to 8 hours a day, due to the lack of aluminum. The plant has been operating on a 20-hour day; it now will operate 16.

Cohn declared there "simply isn't enough aluminum to meet the demand occasioned by the defense program" and predicted the "same situation is bound to affect" other airplane companies.

Company Denies Shortage

Pittsburgh, Dec. 24 (AP)—A spokesman for the Aluminum Co. said today there was "positively no shortage of aluminum" for the airplane industry, now working on British and American orders.

The spokesman reported that priority to aluminum materials had been given to the airplane industry as a result of the defense emergency and added:

"Any temporary shortage that Northrop might have is being met or will be met promptly."

He said he did not know details of Northrop's situation but asserted that large shipments of aluminum materials had left the aluminum works at New Kensington, Pa., for the Northrop plant last week.

The aluminum company recently cut the price of the metal from 19 to 18 cents a pound and launched a \$150,000,000 expansion program.

It stated that production by 1942 to 600,000,000 pounds, more than double the 1939 production of 325,000,000 pounds. Production now, the company said, is running about 485,000,000 pounds a year.

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Ringside Table

By Frank Romer,
Metropolitan Editor
for Mary Harris

Writing this makes me resemble the fellow who requested a singer to pipe the "Headless Song." Asked for a clearer title, he said it was something about "I ain't got no body." This column is Mary Harris' "Body and Soul." I feel incompetent to give it either of the two. But "Sweet Mystery of Life," she says make it the "Last Round-Up" of the year's news of "Night and Day" spots. So, "Down the Field" I come. Of course, talking about Mitt Herth's Herthquake Trio at the Neptune Room, I wish it were "Only Forever"—that's "Home Sweet Home" to me. But it would give such fine folks as Peter Borras, of the Madriellon, and Manager Johnson, of Wardman Park, the "St. Louis Blues" as my message is going to be about Santa and rhythm, because "He's My Man" and "I'm in the Mood." If you live in a "Little Gray Home in the West" or "Down Argentine Way," whether you cut "Canadian Capers" or spend your time conga-ing "South of the Border," Christmas means the same thing—a grateful heart tonight for the "End of a Perfect Day" of American peace and plenty. And for the places that put the joy of music and the lift of dancing into our lives, we should offer "Orchids for Remembrance" at this season.

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Stark Urges Team-Play In Defense

Says Words 'Too Late' Must Not Be Chalked Up as Final Reckoning

By the Associated Press
Admiral Harold R. Stark told the Nation last night that while "excellent progress" was being made on the two-ocean Navy, "we must exert every ounce of our national energy to insure that the words 'too late' are not chalked up as the final reckoning on our own national scoreboard."

The chief of naval operations, in a Christmas message broadcast to the fleet, emphasized that the Navy was just one part of the national life. "The Navy's moral fiber, its backbone, its will to win, rests on the people back home," he declared, adding that the obligation to defend America belonged not only to the armed forces but to every citizen. "We are all in the same boat," he continued. "It is the national team that counts, and in the last analysis we will all go up or down together."

Stark pledged that no effort would be spared to complete the current naval expansion program, not merely on time but ahead of time. "We often speak of the cost of preparedness," he said, "but it is trivial compared to the cost of unpreparedness as witnessed and now realized by many nations abroad. We must not repeat their mistake."

For the mothers and fathers of Navy men, Admiral Stark had a word of thanks, of praise, of reassurance.

"Mothers and fathers with sons in the Navy," he said, "have demon-

1,500 Will Attend Benefit Play Here Friday

One of the city's largest Christmas parties will take place Friday afternoon at the National Theater, when about 1,500 children and grownups will see a special performance of Maurice Maeterlinck's new play, "Seven Wishes." Proceeds of the play, which is produced by the Children's Theater of New York and sponsored by the Washington Wellesley Club, will go to the relief of war refugees.

Intermission entertainment will include a program by the Metropolitan Boys Club Harmonica Band and a community carol sing. A transcription of Princess Elizabeth's stirring address to the British children will be played. Tickets are on sale at Children's Theater headquarters, 1734 F Street Northwest.

Children of Dead Fliers Get \$400 From Goering

Berlin, Dec. 24 (AP)—Reichsmarschall Goering today personally gave a Christmas gift of 1,000 marks (about \$400) to each child of a German flier killed in the war, it was announced officially.

strated the most splendid and practical patriotism possible, and I assure each of you that the Navy is keenly aware of its responsibility to your sons. It demands much, but in turn it gives much."

From this year's Navy of 15 battleships, 6 aircraft carriers, 37 cruisers, 159 destroyers, and 70 submarines, he pointed out, the Nation is building a two-ocean Navy, "the strongest Navy ever built." When that program is completed, he reminded the country, the Navy will have 32 battleships, 18 aircraft carriers, 91 cruisers, 365 destroyers, and 185 submarines and 10,000 airplanes.

White Policy Is Indorsed By Gen. Wood

Col. Lindbergh Also Agrees With Editor On Keeping at Peace

By the Associated Press
Chicago, Dec. 24.—Gen. Robert E. Wood, national chairman of the America First Committee, said today "national unity will have been achieved" if the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies approves the personal statement of its chairman, William Allen White. Gen. Wood said in a statement: "The America First Committee welcomes William Allen White's personal statement of yesterday. He apparently is in essential agreement with our position. He is for maintenance of the neutrality law. Particularly, he is against sending American ships and American convoys into the war zone. He is unequivocally opposed to our entry into the war."

If this represents the position of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, the committee should say so officially. This committee, which has been widely suspected of trying to drive the country along the road to war, now has an opportunity to redeem itself in the eyes of the Nation by prompt and full approval of Mr. White's statement. If it does, national unity will have been achieved."

Lindbergh, Marshall Speak

New York, Dec. 24 (AP)—A statement by William Allen White setting forth his position as chairman of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies brought an expression of commendation from Col. Charles A. Lindbergh today and an assertion by Verne Marshall that it was in "direct contradiction" to some of White's previously expressed views.

White, Kansas newspaper editor, said yesterday that his only reason for being a member of the committee was "to keep this country out of war."

Marshall, chairman of the No Foreign War committee and an Iowa newspaper editor, replied he had heard White say in an address at the United League club last month that "it is time for us to take sides in this war."

Col. Lindbergh, in a statement to the New York World-Telegram today, said that "Mr. White has rendered a great service to this country by clarifying his position and the position of his committee. He has given us new hope for a united America at a time in our history when unity is essential."

Situation Clarified

"Many of us have felt in the past that Mr. White's committee was intentionally leading us to war," Lindbergh said. "We knew that certain supporters of the committee have discussed what steps 'short of war' would lead to war most quickly."

"Mr. White has now clarified this situation. He tells us that the committee as a whole does not approve of the interventionist view of some of its members. He offers us objectives upon which most Americans can unite."

Marshall, however, took issue with White and said that "if Mr. White's committee, in truth, has no war aims, why does it persistently and stubbornly undertake to lead the Washington Administration, or force it, into default violation of the Johnson Act and the Neutrality Law?"

'Y' Santa Gives Presents to 175 Boys at Party

Joseph Aronoff, boys' aquatic director of the Central Y. M. C. A., played Santa Claus yesterday to some 175 boys from 8 to 14 years old who attended the boys' department Christmas party at the Central Y, 1732 G Street Northwest.

He presented a gift to each. The Rev. W. H. Wilson told an original Christmas story. A "magician" performed for the boys.

Today, gifts will be presented to six children, who faced a cheerless Christmas, at the annual Christmas breakfast for dormitory residents. Wayland W. Moore will play Santa Claus. Thirty-five young women of the Y. M. C. A. will be guests.



Mary Haworth's Mail

After Several Months' Courtship and Discussion Of Marriage Plans, Man Backs Down on Idea, Though Still in Love, He Says; Girl Asks Advice

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: Early last summer I met an attractive young man and almost at once we fell in love. Since then, I've gone with him steadily about four nights a week. Two months after we met, we began discussing plans to be married next summer. Our parents and friends seemed pleased to hear of our plan.

Then, about a month ago, he said we ought to wait at least two years before even thinking of marriage; that, in the meantime, each of us should go out with others, in order to see if there is someone else to whom we are better suited; and, in short, to "forget" about marriage, at least for the present. However, he said he still loved me. And I certainly love him very deeply.

He was engaged to another girl once before, and he told me the reason they didn't get married was because he just didn't want to marry her, although he still thinks a lot of her. When I first fell in love with him, friends told me the romance wouldn't last very long; that "someone better" always came along, for him. But I didn't believe them. He has sometimes spoken to me of other girls he has known, and "really loved very much." People say he has never had a happy love affair, but it seems to me he doesn't try to be happy.

I don't have a jealous disposition, usually. But in a relationship such as ours has been, I believe in open dealing. Yet he never tells me of his other dates. He only admits them after he knows I have learned about them from others. I have a quick temper and a changeable disposition, which worries him. He often says he doesn't know how to treat me. He has a grand disposition, but sometimes he loses all patience with me and seems to be glad to get rid of me. When I have been cross with him.

Do you think I should go on seeing him, now that he frankly wants to call off our marriage plans? Or do you think I should try to keep him as a friend, accepting the fact that he probably never will be anything more to me? I have gone with many boys and liked all of them equally well, but I have never been really in love before. This situation has me terribly worried, and I realize I may be listening to too many "tales," and jumping to pessimistic conclusions. Will you please set me right, so I'll know what to do. Sincerely, JOYCE R.

Man's Fighting Free Of Maneuvered Engagement

DEAR JOYCE R.: I imagine this young man is overly-susceptible to suggestion; and that in your case, as well as in other instances where he has been rumored "engaged," the discussion of marriage plans was initiated by the young lady, and not by himself. The girl, of course, would have introduced the subject because she artlessly assumed that marriage was as much in his thoughts as having "lost his head," as the saying goes. Because he is completely enamored of the girl, for the time being, he finds it difficult, if not impossible, to say her nay in this vital matter. And so things drift along, with the girl disseminating news of their "unbreakable" among her intimates, until the man—his head clearing—realizes it is now or never to extricate himself from a position he has conceded, rather than solicited.

And he proceeds to cut clear in some such manner as you have described, by urging indefinite postponement of marriage; by pointing the wisdom of severally seeking other friends, in order to discover whether someone else might not prove more compatible; and finally, by making a motion to drop the whole business. A man can do all this and still care for the girl, sincerely and deeply.

What his actions mean is, simply, that he isn't psychologically ready for marriage. He has no taste for its constricting (though compensating) responsibilities; at least, not yet. Being lightly, romantically or youthfully in love—and wanting to get married, are two different things. A man may be "in love," without wishing to marry; and a man may marry—because he is in a marrying mood—without being

sufficiently in love with the woman he chooses to warrant the solemn pact he proposes.

My advice is to dismiss all thought of this young man as a matrimonial possibility—for you. It is problematic whether it is worthwhile to keep him as a friend—even supposing you could. Since you are so obsessed with the notion of his desirability, and since his interest in you is obviously more of-the-hour than of-the-ages, and already imperceptibly on the wane—it seems to me you would be acting most wisely in putting him altogether "out of sight," the sooner to get him entirely out of mind. M. H.

Miss Haworth will be glad to help you in solving your problems. Write her in care of The Post Woman's Page.

Resort Clothes Also Attractive For Colder Climes

New York (AP)—The happy flavor of resort clothes is too good to miss, whether or not you are heading South.

After January 1, it may seem to you that only resorters get the fashion broke, but this needn't be so. Many resort trends are adaptable to winter wardrobes. Pastel wools, for instance, are perfect for both Northern and Southern wear. In New York, at the moment, fashionable women are seen at smart lunching places wearing suits in pale blue, or rose, or green. The wintry touch is there in fur toppers and fur-trimmed hats.

The very same suits soon will travel to Florida and California, and there, with the addition of big straw hats, light gloves and light shoes, they'll take on resort flavor.

It's About Time

By Dolores Boland

IT'S ABOUT TIME for a chums' nametapes for a belt, school girl to collect her Cut blue felt 2 inches wide and 1 inch shorter than waist measurement. For ties cut pieces of red felt 1 by 3 inches and sew as shown. Apply the white tapes.

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Christmas Greens and Lights Once Banned as Pagan Symbols

New England Puritans Opposed Yule Celebrations as Late as 1659; Trees And Merriment Gradually Crept In

By Elizabeth MacRae Boykin

The Christmas skies this year will look down upon a stricken world. And most of us who still live in a land of peace feel a sense of impending calamity hanging over us—if only because all around us we see tangible evidence that our pattern of life is changing. But change alone is not a catastrophe. Our Christmas festival life is witness to that.

Christian Theory

Long before the dawn of the Christian era, man feared that the winter days would continue to grow shorter and darker until no light was left on earth. His joy, when the change came and the days gradually grew longer and lighter again, he expressed in a midwinter celebration, planned then to come just after the time of this turn. The Christian era was likewise ushered in with a symbolism of light in a dark world and so its date was set at this midwinter time in the fourth century A. D. to commemorate the birth of Christ.

Naturally the evergreens and the lights, used to decorate for the old pagan celebration, likewise interpreted approximately the

new Christmas. But for centuries the church regarded them as heathen symbols and tried vigorously to suppress their use. Tertullian writes: "Let the heathen kindle lamps, they who have no light. Let them fix to the doorposts laurel branches to be burned, but thou, oh Christian, art a light to the world, a tree that is evergreen. Make not a pagan temple of thy own household."

Puritan Idea

This point of view persisted on into American times when the General Court of Massachusetts, following the lead of the English Parliament in 1659, enacted a bill with this wording: "anybody who is found observing by abstinence from labor, feasting or in any other way any wish day as Christmas Day, shall pay for every such offense 5 shillings." Yet change came and evergreens and lights were accepted even by the church as fitting symbols of Christmas.

Modern Tactics Induce Children To Keep Clean

Parents are sometimes perplexed by the amount of antagonism their growing children sometimes develop toward good habits that have been taught from infancy. Boys and girls, too, often become utter rebels about drinking milk, eating vegetables, or using soap and water.

The nutritionists have worked out a number of enticing ways of serving the needed foods, so that they can be prepared in unusual and palatable forms. Milk becomes a delectable custard; spinach is transformed into a delicious soufflé. Thus, the children get their proper nourishment and everyone is happy. The extra trouble of preparing the foods to attract the children has been worth while.

The same sort of salesmanship will work with the previous cleanliness habits, for soap and water, handwashing, and bathing can also be made attractive. Provide gay towels, amusing hand brushes, or colored rubber sponges that are made to resemble brave toy soldiers or, for the girls, pretty peasant lasses. Reward a daughter's clean hands and nails by permitting her to use some of mother's hand lotion.

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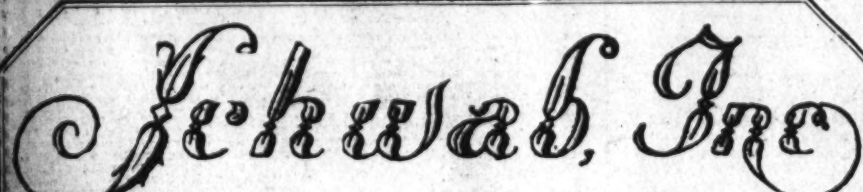
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Posture Trick Will Give 'Proud Lady' Silhouette

Up With the Head
And Everything Else
Falls Right in Line

By Ida Jean Kain

PERHAPS your silhouette worries are caused by careless posture more than anything else. Ordinarily, verbal reminders to "straighten up" are of little value, but there is a posture trick or two that will help you to look your loveliest over the holidays. When you get all dressed up for some special occasion, and look yourself over in the mirror, the impulse will be to minimize that tummy by yanking it in. Don't do it! That would make you look like the Gibson Girl of the Gay '90's!

Instead of trying to hold the tummy in, hold your head up. Forget about every posture rule but one, and that is up—with the curls on the top of your head. Hold your head proudly as if you knew you looked very elegant.

All the rest of the figure hinges on the carriage of your head. With the head held beautifully—that is, squarely on your shoulders, with that line at the back of the neck straight, chin level—the shoulders will fall into lovely line, the abdominal wall will automatically be retracted and your back will be straight.

Try it in front of a full-length mirror just to get the full effect. Stand in careless posture, as if you didn't care much how you looked. Now make believe a fairy tapped you on the top of your head to transpose you into a beauty. Up! Smile like they always do in the before and after pictures and see how much nicer you look.

This little trick of lining up your figure correctly throws the support of your weight partly on your bones and takes the strain of the muscles.

To get the feel of the right line in the middle of your figure, try this. Lie down on back on floor, knees flexed, soles of feet flat on floor. Now, pulling up and in with the lower abdominal muscles and dig the small of back into



Priscilla Lane here demonstrates the correct posture for evening attire.

the floor. Hold and release. That pulls you along through the middle, lifts the chest and "rests" your back. Repeat half a dozen times and end with a good, big stretch, arms overhead and stretching up, legs straight down—*at-to-to-hi*. Don't forget that a lovely carriage can make a good figure superb and a mediocre figure quite attractive.

The Gentler Sex

By Malvina Lindsay

'I Shall Go Softly . . .'

I shall go softly all my years,
Because in the midst of death,
I still walk in life.
Who am I to be spared from a falling bomb?

What have I done to merit this blessed peaceful concern with the small pleasures of a glad morning?

I shall walk humbly in all my ways,
Because I have looked upon Armageddon from the cleft of a rock.
Because I have seen "one spared, another taken."
The good and the innocent ground under foot, and yet my own ways are still those of pleasantness and peace.

I shall speak gently to all those I pass,
Because we are all so weak, so confused and so pitiful.
Finding the life we love so insecure, so fearful.
And struggling so slowly and painfully to reach the "good land," the land of brooks of water . . . of bread without scarceness.

I shall go softly all my years,
Not in bitterness of soul, but as one who has been charmed
By a great blessing in the midst of great tribulation.
And because still unfettered in soul I can search in a serene sky for the Star of Bethlehem.

Plastic Dress Now a Reality for Women

Complete Wardrobe
Of Synthetic Fabrics
Now on Exhibit

By Jane Driscoll
The Post Fashion Editor

OUT of the much-ridiculed celluloid collar for men, originated in the '70's, has come the modern woman, dressed from "stem to stern" in plastic. Her wardrobe is on exhibit until February 1 in the lobby of the Department of Commerce Building.

Models in the plastic fashion show these recently worn dresses of celanese rayon—which, though unknown to most women, is really a plastic. Their hats were plastic fabric that resembled the familiar rayons. One small pillbox shape was cleverly trimmed with plastic wood bows. The bracelets, earrings and other jewelry worn were of acrylic resin (various colors) and vinyl (transparent).

Vinyl, the same plastic that decorates shoes in bows and inserts, is unusual in its elastic quality. It can be stretched, pulled out of shape and presto, it goes right back to normal. Other plastic accessories worn were the familiar nylon hose, vinyl comb and compact cases, with the objects visible inside, and a gardenia which shows up illuminated at night.

Growth Is Traced
Thomas Delahanty, assistant chief of the chemical division of the Department of Commerce, traced the growth of the plastic costume. From the celluloid collar came substitutes for glass in the industrial field. Plastic toilet articles, such as comb and brush sets, took the place of the tortoise shell. Special articles of decoration, little pins and gadgets were next in the stage of development.

Vanities were the first step toward the fashion industry.

The synthetic-dressed woman was really brought to light through the introduction of plastics in shoes. Heels on shoes, known as "scumless heels," were actually plastic lacquered heels.

Next, shoes with transparent heels

Gay deceivers these gay-suede pumps, below, with the appearance of open toe and heel. In reality they are trimmed with transparent plastic—Vinylite. For those who like the protection of closed toes and heels but like to see them open, this elastic plastic is a perfect solution. Natural gas, coke, salt, air and water make the perforated high vamp heelless pump of plastic at right. The roomy bag of the same perforated plastic makes an unusual ensemble. The easy elasticity of plastic, especially in shoes, assures perfect comfort and fit as well as delicate beauty.



carried through the development of plastics in women's fashion. Women would scoff if they knew the amount of fabrics made from wood, coal, water, cotton and air they are wearing today. Most of these plastics commonly known are treated in some stage of the game with what is known to the housewife as vinegar and castor oil. The addition of plastics has actually improved fabrics, giving them a wider style range and making them more economical and acceptable for costume wear.

Right now men and women are

carrying around a lot of rayon poundage. According to Mr. Delahanty, men, considering the amount of clothes they wear in comparison to women, are wearing a surprising amount of plastics in the form of rayon. Men's stockings are seldom anything but rayon.

Rayon Foundage
There is a great future in plastics for women's clothing because there is a certain lure to them. As yet no one has found a way to evolve a shimmering mink coat from coal, air, cotton and water.

But synthetic fur for paint brushes is already in the process of development. Natural fur used in these brushes has a little hook on the end of each hair that tends to make the hairs hook onto each other. Paint brushes have scientists stumped, but it may not be long before synthetic fur for coats is a reality.

Regardless of what women wear, synthetics can simulate them, as plastics, if not woven, can be molded. Right now women's fashions are cheaper because of plastics. In fact, they are as cheap as they are wanted to be, because any reduction would result in a greater demand than manufacturers could supply.

Eggnog Recipe For Christmas

Beat until light, 12 egg yolks. Beat in gradually, 1 pound powdered sugar. Add very slowly, beating constantly, 1 quart heavy-bodied rum, or brandy or whisky, 2 quarts cream and 1 quart milk. Whip until stiff 6 egg whites and ¼ teaspoon salt. Fold them lightly into the other ingredients. If made as long as possible before serving time, it will be all the better.

January Sale Corsets, Foundations!

We start this event ahead of time so that you may have that new foundation ahead of the new dress you are going to buy. Many evening events ahead! New Year's Eve, White House Receptions—the President's Birthday Balls. Many dress events to follow!



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—pull down back and front
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Pin Stripe Blouses and solid color acetate rayon jerseys, long and short sleeves. Also Costume blouses in paisley print rayon crepe. White, red, black, aqua, blue and many other colors. Sizes 32-40.

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Smart business, dressy afternoon and country styles. Tailored wool jersey shirts with club collars, all wools with Peter Pan collars, rayon crepes with cowl necks, long sleeve rayon satins with rhinestone buttons. Sizes 32-40. White, blue, pink, maize, red, green, beige, black.

\$2.95 and \$3.95 Skirts, \$1.95

Glen, Glen plaid wools, stripes, herringbone tweeds, wool flannels, shetland wools! Gored, swing and kick pleat styles, some with leather belts. Sizes 12-20. Powder, rose, green, wine, brown, navy, black.

Budget Sports Shop—Street Floor—Only for a few Days More!



Yvonne Perrin and Moira Kennedy, California Debs, Make Bow Here

Congressional Club
Scene of Tea Dance;
Harris Are Co-Hosts

By Hope Ridings Miller.

TWO CALIFORNIA buds blossomed into Capital society yesterday afternoon when Miss Yvonne Perrin and Miss Moira Kennedy were feted at a tea dance at the Congressional Club.

Hosts for the occasion—although one could not be present—were D. C. Supreme Court Commissioner and Mrs. William Richard Harris, of Chevy Chase, Md., and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lilo McMullin Perrin, Jr., of Stockton, Calif. Mr. Perrin, who had planned to be here, was delayed in California; but he hopes to come later in the season.

Miss Perrin, who is attending Gunston Hall this year, is spending Christmas with Commissioner and Mrs. Harris, her grandparents; and another of her house guests for the holidays is Miss Kennedy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald D. Kennedy, of San Francisco.

Great-Grandmother
Made Bow Here

Some oldtimers attending yesterday's party recalled that they had heard glowing reports of a debut that took place in Washington 90 years ago when a great-grandmother of Miss Perrin was presented to Washington society. While we're on family backgrounds, it might be added that another of Miss Perrin's great-grandmothers was born in Washington, and that a great-grandfather was one of the founders of San Francisco. Miss Kennedy, incidentally, is the great-granddaughter of an early Governor of California.

From 5 to 7 o'clock, several hundred guests climbed the broad stairway of the club to greet Commissioner and Mrs. Harris, Mr. Perrin, and the debutantes of the day. The spacious reception room of the club had been transformed into one of the loveliest settings of the season. White vases teeming with silver leaves and bells and lighted from beneath with blue bulbs, lent an ethereal air to the entire room.

Flowers Flown
From California

The reception line on the north side of the room was formed before a fan-shaped background, fashioned of silver leaves and bells and illuminated with blue and green lights. Both debutantes were attired in frocks of mist pink. Miss Perrin's gown of very old Chinese silk, exquisitely embroidered, was fashioned with a full skirt and a fitted bodice. Also bouffant style was Miss Kennedy's dress of pale pink tulle, trimmed with bands of silver, and sent from San Francisco especially for the occasion.

Both girls wore corsages of white orchids, centered with a pale lavender blossom, flown from California; and both wore long white gloves.

Mrs. Perrin appeared in a frock of amethyst crepe, worn with an amethyst necklace, bracelet and brooch. In her hair she wore purple orchids. Mrs. Harris had chosen a black chiffon dress, trimmed in black lace and accented with a corsage of white orchids.

Twelve Girls
Assist Debs

Meyer Davis' orchestra played during the entire party, and the younger guests started dancing shortly after they were greeted. The older guests, as well as some of the not-so-older guests went on to the dining room, where tea was served at a long table, centered with a silvered Christmas tree.

Generally assisting the debutantes were several of their friends, all of whom had been asked to wear white frocks. Setting off their costumes were dainty corsages, which carried out the mist-pink, silver and white color scheme. Col. and Mrs. George W. Cocheus, as their usual custom, asked friends to drop in from 8:30 o'clock until—, at their home on Foxhall Road. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Niepold also held open house last evening from 8 until 12 at their place in Wesley Heights.

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Catherine Roach
Becomes Bride

A Christmas Eve bride was Miss Catherine Elizabeth Roach, who was married yesterday to Ashley Jackson Kelly, of Charlotte, N. C., in the rectory of Blessed Sacrament Church with Mr. Thomas G. Smythe officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Charles E. Roach, who later entertained at a reception in her home in Chevy Chase. Mr. Kelly is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ashley Kelly, of Mobile, Ala.

Given in marriage by her brother, Charles E. Roach, of Norfolk, Va., the bride wore a green ensemble and a cluster of green orchids. Mrs. Carl Becker, wearing a hunter's green frock and Tulleman roses, served as matron of honor for her sister, Walter Charney, of Charlotte, N. C., was best man.

Following their wedding trip in the South the couple will make their home in Charlotte.



Miss Moira Kennedy (left) and Miss Yvonne Perrin pose for pictures before their debut at the Congressional Club

Miss Richardson Wed to McGee

At a Christmas Eve ceremony in the rectory of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Miss Florence Richardson, daughter of Frank W. Richardson, and the late Mrs. Richardson, was married yesterday afternoon to Charles Russell McGee, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. McGee, of this city.

The Rev. Lawrence Wemyss officiated at the marriage, which took place at 2 o'clock. The bride wore a dark brown sheer frock, street length, and a short coat trimmed with mink. A cluster of orchids completed her ensemble. Mrs. Theodore Jameson was matron of honor and Leonard Marchant was best man. A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace S. Richardson, brother and sister-in-law of the bride, followed. Assisting were Mrs. Russell Edmondson, Mrs. Elizabeth Mattern, Mrs. Yost Harbaugh and Mrs. Hayward Brown. Guests from out of town included Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Glenn, of Ardmore, Pa., and Mrs. Elizabeth Reid and William Beedle, of Baltimore.

After a honeymoon in New York, the couple will live at 4890 Connecticut Avenue.

Col. G. W. Cocheus, Robert Niepolds Give Yule Parties

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200 Attend Cocktail Party Of Richbergs

Mr. and Mrs. Weed, Of New York, Are Guests of Honor

Gayly informal was the cocktail party given yesterday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Richberg in their spring Valley home. From 5 to 7 o'clock, around 200 guests called to enjoy the fest that, like most entertainments given by the Richbergs, chalked up honors on many accounts.

Christmas greenery and baubles decorated the drawing room where guests gathered before going on to the dining room. Receiving wherever she happened to be when she spotted her guests, Mrs. Richberg was smartly attired in a frock of gray-blue crepe, cut on simple lines and set off with a silver ornament. Mr. Richberg was here, there and everywhere, dispensing his own special brand of hospitality and seeing that everyone met the house guests.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Weed, of New York, Mrs. Richberg's brother and sister-in-law.

Christmas angels, made of celophane, decorated the table in the dining room, which was also set off with a silver cart from which spilled silver balls.

Toward the end of the party the daughter of the household, Eloise, came in, having attended a tea dance earlier. Among those enjoying the Richberg fete were Attorney General and Mrs. Robert H. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Hurley, Justice and Mrs. Justin Miller, Mr. and Mrs. William F. MacCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berliner, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hurler, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Haydon, Mrs. William A. McFarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Warner and Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Brand.

Still others there were Senator and Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark, Homer Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Buel, Mr. and Mrs. William Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clapper, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Lee Pierson, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Mittel, Mrs. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Leach and many more.

CAPITAL WHIRL

NO DIPLOMAT has been more appreciated in Washington or left more sincere friends regretful at his departure than Jacques Truelle. The Minister-Counselor of the French Embassy in Washington has been transferred from his post here to that of French Minister in Rumania and is planning to sail for Europe on Saturday.

The other night the Second Secretary of the French Embassy and Mme. Lucet entertained at a small farewell dinner in honor of M. Truelle at his home on Thirty-fourth Street. By some magic of her own Mme. Lucet recaptured for us some of the French gaiety of before the war, and there was no pessimism in the air. Count Andre de Limur, recently resigned Attaché of the French Embassy, was in especially fine spirits and kept us constantly laughing with his witty remarks. Countess de Limur enjoyed her husband's sallies as much as anyone and her laughter was high tribute, on the theory that if a man's wife laughs at his stories they must be really good.

PRETTY Mme. Lucet received her guests in a simple black frock worn with a gold belt and a necklace of heavy gold rings, while Mrs. Lucius Wilmering, Jr., made a handsome contrast in lipstick-red. Angus Malcolm, of the British Embassy was present, the dinner being small enough to be compatible with the British mourning for the late Lord Lohlan, and told a very amusing story on himself. It seems that August and Admiral Pott, the British Naval Attaché, officially represented their Embassy at the service of divine intercession for Great Britain which was recently held in St. Thomas' Church. Dean Frederick Beckman, dean of the American Pro-Cathedral in Paris, who had remained at his post during the German occupation of Paris, preached the sermon and prayed fervently for Great Britain.

After the service Admiral Pott and Angus made themselves known to the dean and thanked him for the prayers on behalf of their country. Dean Beckman looked at Angus and said with a twinkle, "I watched you during the service, and I knew that you were from the British Embassy."

because you looked so embarrassed every time England was mentioned."

JACQUES TRUELLE was also given a farewell cocktail party the other day by charming Mrs. Burrill Hoffman, who has, with Mr. Hoffman, recently come to Washington and has taken the Massachusetts Avenue house of Mrs. Emmons Smith for the winter. Christmas candles, shining from the windows, welcomed M. Truelle's friends. Mrs. Hoffman had asked him to invite anyone he wished, and tea and cocktails with accompanying delicious canapés, were served in the drawing room.

Among those dropping in to wish M. Truelle bon voyage were the former Ambassador to Argentina and Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss, Mrs. Truxtun Beale, Mrs. Lawrence Townsend, the John Walkers, Mr. and Mrs. Derek Hoyer Miller, Mrs. Anthony Rumbold, Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Pell, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clark, Count and Countess de Limur, Baron and Baroness Bessens, the Lucets and a number of others.

Carper-Turman Nuptials Held

The Mount Zion Church near Aldie, Va., was the scene of a Christmas Eve wedding when Miss Alice Turman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Madison Turman, Sr., of Aldie, Va., became the bride of William Hudson Carper, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Eldridge Carper, of Salem, Va.

The ceremony was performed by Elder Horace H. Lefters, of the Old School Baptist Church.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a two-piece suit of teal green with brown accessories. Her flowers were white orchids.

Miss Lillie Suzannah Turman, of Fredericksburg, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. She wore a two-piece suit of brown crepe and honey satin with brown accessories. Her flowers were a corsage of white gardenias.

The Belgian Ambassador, asked a few men for lunch on the other day to meet Maximilien Horn, Belgian financier and adviser to the Belgian government. A toast was drunk to almost Countess van der Straeten as the Ambassador calculated that she would be just arriving in her native Belgium, where she has gone to spend Christmas with her family. Count van der Straeten's luncheon guests were the former Minister to Latvia, John Wiley; Hugh Cumming, Jr.; J. Fred Heary; Hervé de Gruylen, Counselor of the Embassy; and Jacques de Thier, First Secretary; Dr. Eugene de Savitch and Harold Hinton.

ONCE I KNEW a little boy of 8 who, when he was scolded for his errors, or when he found himself in a jam, would look benign and say: "I'm the most marvellous boy! I'm most marvellous and glad in fresh reindeer!"

This proved slightly irritating to his parents and sister, so one night, after hearing his prayers, his father asked the child just why he repeated the words so often.

Hurjas Gather 90 Guests for Carol Singing

Friends Are Greeted By Jolly Old Gent And Get Song Books

Santa Claus was all over town last night, but he took several hours out from his rounds to stop in at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hurja to welcome 90 guests to their annual Christmas Eve carol sing.

Standing just inside the door, the jolly old gent cried "Merry Christmas!" to everyone as he entered, and there was a lot of backslapping and handshaking and exchange of quips in keeping with the season.

Christmas trees were a-glow with colored lights outside the house, and inside, ropes of cedar—with mistletoe caught in strategic places, holly wreaths and tall sprays, carried out the Yuletide theme. Every guest was presented with a book of Christmas carols—gifts of the host and everybody joined in singing. Two pianos were in use during the evening. Raimo Luoma, the well-known young Finnish-American pianist, and Kurt Hetzel, who needs no introduction in Washington, played for singing, and otherwise, until midnight.

A supper, complete with Virginia ham, turkey, and all the trimmings took over the spotlight at that time; and then more singing of another type was in order. John M. Littlepage, whose talents as an entertainer have been noted abroad, and Henry Berliner, who can strum off all kinds of tunes on his guitar, went into action, and the party continued merrily on—until long after Santa Claus had completed his rounds of the town.

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\$159.95	were \$195.00
\$178.00	were \$218.00 and \$245.00

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Count de Limurs Give Christmas Tree Party

Three ages were represented at the informal "Christmas tree" party given yesterday by the Attaché of the French Embassy and Countess de Limur. Friends of their young daughter Mary, 11, as well as contemporaries of theirs and their son, Charles, and daughter, Helen, all attended the party. August and Admiral Pott, the British Naval Attaché, officially represented their Embassy at the service of divine intercession for Great Britain which was recently held in St. Thomas' Church. Dean Frederick Beckman, dean of the American Pro-Cathedral in Paris, who had remained at his post during the German occupation of Paris, preached the sermon and prayed fervently for Great Britain.

Frances McMillan Engaged to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. McMillan, of Chevy Chase, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Frances Louise McMillan, to Henry Lamar Benson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Benson, of Sandy Spring, Md. The bride-elect attended George Washington University and is a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority. Mr. Benson is an alumnus of the Strayer College of Accountancy and is associated with the Department of Justice.

Mrs. King to Fete Misses Morsell, At Party Saturday

Mrs. J. Craig King, wife of Maj. King, U. S. A., retired, will entertain at a luncheon on Saturday in honor of the Misses Mary Tudor and Suzanne Morsell, who made their bows to society last year. The party will take place at the Shoreham.

A dozen friends of the Misses Morsell have been invited to the fete. At another table Mrs. King will entertain a few of her friends. Maj. and Mrs. King will entertain at a young set dance at the Wesley Heights Community Club on January 2, in honor of their sons, Byron and Frank, who are home from the Canterbury School, Connecticut, for the holidays.

Notes of Society

Official and Residential

The Egyptian Minister and Mme. Hassan are spending the Christmas holidays in New Orleans. They will return shortly after New Year's.

Representative and Mrs. J. Will Robinson, of Utah, have with them for the holidays in their Wardman Park apartment their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Harris, of San Diego, and little Robert William Harris.

Members of the Metropolitan Club held their annual stag luncheon yesterday at the clubhouses.

Mrs. McConery Werlich will entertain at an eggnog party on Friday.

Miss Margaret Fraser will be hostess at a luncheon on Sunday at her home on Prospect Avenue.

Frances Parkinson Keyes has also planned a party for that day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Donald Halstead have gone to Palm Beach for the holidays. They expect to return January 12 to their apartment at the Shoreham.

Mrs. Herbert J. Brees, wife of Maj. Gen. Brees, commander of the Eighth Corps area, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., is stopping at the Martiniere. Her husband will join her for Christmas.

Mrs. Elonzo Tyner, who has been staying at the St. Regis in New York, has returned to her apartment at the Shoreham for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. Hansen gave a small dinner last night in their apartment at the Shoreham in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Roy Lyman Sexton. Guests included Dr. and Mrs. Howard B. Kane, James Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Landburgh, and Edward Foreman.

Holiday Spirit Prevails at Little House



Around the big balsam fir tree which will remain in the living room of the National Girl Scout Little House, 1750 New York Avenue, during the holidays are (left to right) Ruth Harris, Dorothea Widmayer, seated beside Mrs. William J. Moll, Jr., one of the troop leaders, and Mary Elizabeth Arnold.

Little House Welcoming Girl Scouts

Troop 8 Takes Time Out From Work to Trim Balsam Fir Tree

Girl Scouts of the District and those who are here from other places during the holidays will find a welcome at the National Girl Scout Little House, 1750 New York Avenue, which is in charge of Mrs. G. E. Bowman.

Girl Scouts of Troop 8 took time out from their work at the Community Toy Center, Sixteenth and I Streets, to assist in trimming the big balsam fir tree which stands in the living room of the Little House. Many entire troops visit the house during the Christmas holidays and others visit Rockwood, the daytime, overnight and week-end camping place of the Girl Scouts on Conduit Road.

Among the holiday activities of the Girl Scouts will be an international tea, planned by Troop 44 at the home of Miss Dee Jane Moore Friday, where a silver offering will be taken for the Red Cross. This troop has collected recipes from the legations of the Scandinavian countries and will serve at their tea: Mother Mosen cake made from a Swedish recipe; walnut cake made from recipe from Norway; and vanilla ring from a recipe from Denmark. This troop is hoping to collect many more recipes and make a booklet of them.

Troop 124 of Friendship House is making a 2-hour trip through Colony House, inspecting and viewing furniture and draperies. Troops 16 and 22 of Neighborhood House are giving a pageant Friday.

Madame Chairman

Prophecy

By Jessie Ash Arnold

When Christmas comes next century—
A hundred years away—
How distant will be all the hates
And hurts we feel today.

The turmoil will be silenced
And, on history pages white,
Will be the solemn record
Of the triumph of the Right.

The strife will be forgotten,
And the nations will again
Lift up, in unison, their song
Of "Peace, Good Will Toward Men."

The great dictators—their decrees,
No longer will offend;
A few short years, and all their power
Is doomed to mortal end.

But, when another Christmas comes,
A hundred years from now,
There still will be the lowly Christ
Before whom men will bow.

He still will knock at waiting hearts
Just as He does today,
And with the self-same message:
"Lo, I am the Life, the Way."

D. of A. Will Hold Yule Party Friday

Golden Rule Council, Daughters of America, will have its annual Christmas party and entertainment for the children of its officers and members on Friday at 7:30 p. m. at Northeast Masonic Temple. Mrs. Margaret A. Taylor, chairman of the good of the order committee, will be in charge. Carols will be sung by

the girls of the drill team club, and Santa Claus will be there to present gifts to the smaller children. This will be followed by a brief business session and then the annual Yule party for the officers and members, when gifts will be exchanged.

Officers elected for the ensuing terms include: Councilor, Mrs. Hazel Mae Mazyek; associate councilor, Mrs. Ida Beall; vice councilor, Mrs. Rosalie Ripperger; associate vice councilor, Mrs. Nettie Jacobs; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Ella Burnley; conductor, Mrs. Edna Howard; warden, Mrs. Bernice Olson; inside sentinel, Mrs. Ruth O'Grady; outside sentinel.

CLEARANCE

Our great annual After-Christmas-Clearance Sale of fine apparel, dresses, furs, suits and sportswear for women, misses and juniors starts tomorrow. Great reductions have been taken on timely merchandise, practically all bought for present season wear, offering most unusual savings for wise buyers.

ALL SALES ARE FINAL... NO APPROVALS

Dresses for Women and Misses

Third Floor	
\$20	were \$29.95
\$28	were \$39.95
\$35	were \$49.95
\$45	were \$59.95 and \$69.95
\$58	were \$79.95
\$78	were \$95

Suits for Women and Misses

Third Floor	
\$28	were \$39.95
\$45	were \$69.95
\$58	were \$79.95
\$78	were \$95
\$88	were \$118

TWO IMPORTANT GROUPS OF FURS... REDUCED

A group of fur coats including dyed Australian opossum, Natural gray squirrel, gray kidskin, mink-dyed muskrat, leopard cat, dyed skunk. Sale prices in this group are now
\$115 to \$285 formerly \$150 to \$395

A group of fur jackets including natural blue fox, silver fox, white Russian ermine, sable dyed kolinsky and dyed skunk. Sale prices now..... \$90 to \$965 formerly \$110 to \$1,195

MISSSES' DRESSES

Fourth Floor	
\$15	were \$19.95 to \$25
\$20	were \$29.95 and \$35
\$28	were \$39.95 and \$45
\$35	were \$49.95
\$45	were \$59.95 and \$69.95

MISSSES' SUITS

Fourth Floor	
\$20	were \$29.95
\$28	were \$39.95
\$35	were \$49.95
\$45	were \$59.95 and \$69.95
\$58	were \$79.95

GREENBRIER SPORTSWEAR

DRESSES	
\$7	were \$9.95 to \$12.95
\$10	were \$14.95
\$13	were \$17.95 to \$25
\$18	were \$29.95 to \$35

SUITS	
\$10	were \$14.95 to \$18
\$15	were \$25 to \$29.95
\$27	were \$39.95

ALSO GREATLY REDUCED
Small quantities of beach shoes, shirts, slacks, play suits, bathing suits and sweaters

DEBUTANTE SHOPS

STREET DRESSES	
\$18	were \$22.95 and \$25
\$12	were \$16.95 and \$19.95
\$9	were \$12.95 and \$14.95
\$7	were \$10.95

FUR TRIMMED COATS	
\$69	were \$89.95
\$55	were \$69.95
\$39	were \$55 and \$59.95
\$32	were \$49.95

EVENING DRESSES	
\$15	were \$22.95
\$12	were \$16.95 and \$19.95

SUITS	
\$20	were \$29.95
\$15	were \$22.95

GIRLS' COATS	
\$9.95	were \$17.95
\$12.95	were \$19.95
\$14.95	were \$22.95

TEEN GIRLS' COATS	
\$12.95	were \$19.95
\$14.95	were \$22.95
\$16.95	were \$29.95

GIRLS' VELVETEEN AND WOOL DRESSES	
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Press Women to Seat Guests by Drawing

Solution Decided Upon to Avoid Difficulties Of Protocol and Precedence at Meeting In Honor of President and Mrs. Roosevelt

A problem that has baffled Washington hostesses since protocol and precedence were first invented has been solved with a twist of the wrist by the Women's National Press Club. It is that of seating guests at a luncheon. The solution is the club's meeting at which the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will be guests of honor January 6 at the Willard Hotel.

The solution, the magic of pulling names out of a hat. "At such a luncheon as this will the seating will be difficult to arrange," says a letter from Mrs. J. Fred Essary, the president, of the membership. "In order to have as few complications as possible, these rules will be followed without exception of any kind."

The first rule set forth is that those at the table with the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will be officers of the club, members of the board and the chairmen of standing committees. "There will be no other guests at the speakers' table," this paragraph states with finality.

This detail disposal of the next which might have loomed large but no longer does, was the seating of the club members, each fringing one guest. Reservations, check enclosed, must be in the hands of Miss Patricia O'Malley, club treasurer, by Friday, the letters identified on the outside as Press Club mail.

These envelopes will be placed unopened in a large hamper and drawn out by Miss Josephine Hemphill and Miss Catherine Redmond, first and second vice presidents of the club, in the presence and with the assistance of members of the house and hospitality committees. As the envelopes are drawn, they will be numbered from first to last and then opened and placed assigned according to the sequence of the numbers. Officers who will be seated at the speakers' table will send in reservations for themselves and their guests in the same way and the guests will be seated according to their numbers.

The Christmas rush has not been heavy enough to prevent the Press Club members from sending in their reservations in plenty of time to meet the Friday deadline. The "no exceptions" clause in the announcement has been taken to heart and, as it includes the rule that no telephone reservations will be accepted, members are taking no chances on having their letters arrive late.

Although the active members of the club are not yet seated, the club is making a list of the women's national press club includes the name: "Roosevelt, Eleanor (Mrs. Franklin D.)—Columnist—the White House."

and the First Lady has been the honored guest of the club on many occasions, the luncheon January 6 will be the first at which a President of the United States has been entertained by the women of the press in Washington.

Good Citizenship Pilgrims Club To Meet Friday

The Good Citizenship Pilgrims Club of the District D. A. R. will meet Friday morning at 11 o'clock at the Chapter House, 1732 Massachusetts Avenue Northwest.

The club is made up of girls who each year have been elected "Good Citizens" in the District high schools by their classmates and faculty and who have been candidates for the award of the national society—a visit to Washington as the guest of the society for the senior high school girl from each State who is chosen because she possesses the qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism to an outstanding degree. The club was organized in 1937 to help the D. A. R. promote good citizenship and to cultivate the friendships formed through this project.

Guests will include 27 "Good Citizens." Among these present will be Miss Elsie Collingwood, 1234 Crittenden Street Northwest, student at Western College in Ohio, 1940 District Pilgrim who is president of the National Good Citizenship Pilgrims Club; Mrs. Harry Oberholser, State regent; former State committee chairman Mrs. Thomas Hardie Seay, vice chairman of national committee; Mrs. Roy C. Bowker, State recording secretary; Mrs. William L. Matlock, State committee vice chairman; Mrs. Russell H. Millward, assistant chairman.

Lawrences Hosts To Triangle Club

Mr. and Mrs. David Lawrence were hosts at a buffet supper for the young people last night at their home on Nebraska Avenue. Guests of honor were the entire cast of the Princeton Triangle Club, which gave its current production, "Many a Slip," in the afternoon. Mark Lawrence wrote the lyrics for the show.

The Princetonians raised their voices in song again at the party, using carol books which Princeton alumnus Samuel Biddle had rustled up during the day. Miss Nancy Lawrence, a debutante of last season, assisted at the party, along with the Misses Rita Finkenscheid and Patricia Prochnik.

Before yesterday's matinee Mr. and Mrs. F. Moran McConihe and Mr. and Mrs. Ashwood Fuller gave a luncheon for debutante Jessie Kauffman. Others in the company were the Misses Louise Stillwell, Bella Hagan, Rita Finkenscheid, Elizabeth Barbour, Barbara Beale, Anne Peter and Elaine Darlington.

Mizrachi Women Observe Chanukah

The Junior Mizrachi Women last night held a social and cultural meeting at the home of Mrs. D. Dekelbaum, 3526 T Street Northwest, with Miss Goldie Lewis as cohostess. They celebrated the Feast of Chanukah by lighting the first candle in the traditional ceremony in which one is lit the first evening, the second evening, and so on, until the eighth evening, when the eight candles are all lighted.

O. Summer, head of the Keshet Israel Talmud Torah, spoke on Chanukah and its relation to present times. With him were some of his students who took part in the program. This group included the Misses Edna Slonin, Shirley Miller, Louise Myerson, Hilda Simon and Myrtle Michelson.

Mrs. Sarah Levin gave a resume of current events and there was group singing of Chanukah songs, with Mrs. Dekelbaum at the piano.

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Summary of Pope's Christmas Message

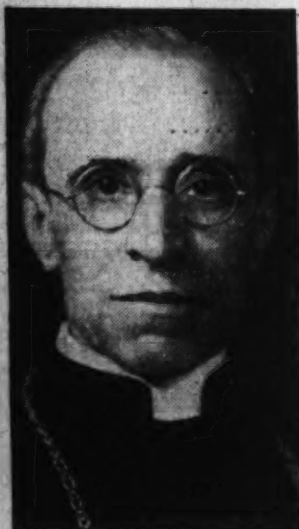
Official English Translation Calls For End of Hatred, Mistrust and Idea that 'Might Makes Right'

Vatican City, Dec. 24.—The official English summary of the Pope's address follows:

The Holy Joy of the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, the intimate happiness, which rises spontaneously in the hearts of the faithful of Christ, does not depend on external events nor can it be diminished or disturbed by them.

Whoever grasps the intimate meaning of the Christmas hymn and has tasted even one drop of the sweet nectar of the truth of love which it contains knows where, amidst the confused succession of events, sufferings and trials of these tempestuous days he may find a haven of safety, and he will refrain as much from undue optimism, which disregards reality, as from the still less Apostolic tendency toward cowardly depressing pessimism.

Let us be infinitely grateful to Our Lord that in this, our own day, our church is not lacking in such elect, saintly, courageous souls, found alike in the ranks of the clergy and laity, who give



POPE PIUS

strong evidence of heroism, generally overlooked by the world, and of unwavering fidelity.

Many Misfortunes

The material and the spiritual condition of the present age brings into being and imposes on the apostolate enormous demands, not only for the duration of this dreadful war, but still more for that day at the conclusion of the war, when the people will be obliged to dedicate themselves to the task of repairing the deep-seated evils which will be their bitter social and economic heritage, when disorganized nations find themselves at the war's conclusion with spiritual wounds which will certainly demand assiduous and watchful care, that their pernicious effects may be forestalled or minimized.

Among the many misfortunes arising from this cruel conflict one in particular which immediately brought sorrow to our heart continues to grieve us—namely the misfortunes of the prisoners of war, which become progressively more distressing for us with the ever-diminishing possibility of our hastening in our paternal solicitude to bring aid through efficacious relief and consolation where the victims are most numerous, the misery most pitiable.

Mindful of what we ourselves in the august name of the sovereign pontiff, Benedict XV, of happy memory, were able to accomplish during the last war for the relief of the moral and material distress of many prisoners of war, we had hoped that in the present instance as well there might be left open that way for the religious and charitable initiatives of the church.

However, although our aim has been frustrated in some countries, our efforts have not been in vain everywhere since we have succeeded in bringing many material and spiritual evidences of our concern to at least a portion of the Polish prisoners, and indeed other more frequent evidences of that same solicitude to Italian prisoners and internees, especially in Egypt, Australia and Canada.

Benediction to Prisoners

Nor was it our desire that the Holy Feast of Christmas should dawn in the world without our conveying through the medium of our representatives some definite manifestation of our encouraging remembrance and benediction to English and French prisoners in Italy, to Germans in England and Greeks in Albania, and to Italians scattered throughout various parts of the British Empire, especially in Egypt, Palestine and India.

Eager, therefore, to make our own the anxieties of families, fearful for the lot of their separated and unfortunate relations, we have undertaken and are actively advancing and developing yet another task of no small magnitude, namely that of requesting and transmitting information wherever it is possible and permissible to do so, not only concerning countless prisoners, but also concerning refugees and those whom the present calamities have so sadly separated from fatherland and home.

In this way we have been able to feel close to our own, the beats of thousands of hearts with the disturbed tumult of their most intimate feelings, either in strained tension or under the terrible incubus of uncertainty, or in the exultant joy of renewed assurance or in profound suffering and quiet resignation regarding the state of their loved ones.

Principles of Justice

No less comforting is it to us to have been in a position to console with the moral and spiritual assistance of our representatives or with an offering of our resources the large numbers of refugees and expatriates and emigrants, including "non-Aryans."

We were enabled in our aid to

those of Polish origin to be especially generous also to those others for whom the charitable contributions of our children in the United States facilitated our paternal solicitude for them.

Exactly one year ago, venerable brothers and beloved sons, in this very place we formulated certain principles with regard to essential presuppositions of peace which would conform to principles of justice, equity and honor and would thus be enduring. And if the succeeding march of events has delayed their application to more distant time, the thoughts then proposed have nevertheless lost none of their intrinsic truth and conformity to reality, nor of their force of moral obligation.

From the impassioned polemics of warring factions concerning the objectives of the war and the ultimate peace settlements, there emerges ever more clearly defined the quasi-universal opinion which contends that prewar Europe as well as its political structure are now undergoing a process of transformation of such nature as to signal the dawn of a new era.

Europe and its system of states, it is said, will not be as they were before. Something new and better, more evolved organically, sounder, freer and stronger, must replace the past in order to eliminate its defects, its weaknesses and its deficiencies, which are said to have been disclosed convincingly by recent events.

Values of Christmas Life

In the midst of the contrasting systems which are part of our times and dependent upon them, the Church cannot be called upon to favor one more than another. In the orbit of universal value the divine law, whose authority obliges not only individuals but nations as well, there is ample room and liberty of action for the most varied forms of political opinion; whilst the practical application of one political system or another depends in a large measure and often quite decisively upon circumstances and causes which considered in themselves are extraneous to the purpose and action of the Church.

As protectress and herald of the principles of faith and morals, it is her sole interest, her sole longing, to convey through educational and religious channels to all peoples without exception the clear waters of the fountains of our patrimony and values of Christian life in order that every people in its own peculiar way may enjoy Christian fellowship, Christian ethical-religious impulses to establish a society that would be humanly praiseworthy and spiritually elevated and a source of genuine good.

Prerequisites Listed

Indispensable prerequisites for the search for a new order are:

One, triumph over hate, which is today a cause of division among peoples; renunciation, therefore, of the systems and practices from which hate constantly receives added nourishment.

Two, triumph over mistrust, which bears down as a depressing weight on international law and renders impossible the realization of any sincere agreement.

Three, triumph over the distressing principles that utility is a basis of law and right and that might makes right, a principle which makes all international relations liable (liable to fall).

Four, triumph over those germs of conflict which consist in two-sided differences in the field of world economy; hence progressive action, balanced by correspondent degrees to arrive at arrangements which would give to every state the medium necessary for insuring the proper standard of living for its own citizens of every rank.

Five, triumph over the spirit of cold egoism which, fearless in its might, easily leads to violation not only of the honor and sovereignty of states but of the righteous, wholesome and disciplined liberty of citizens as well.

Fraternal Collaboration

It must be supplanted by sincere juridical and economic solidarity, fraternal collaboration in accordance with the precepts of divine law amongst peoples assured of their autonomy and independence.

As long as the rumble of armaments continues in the stark reality of this war it is scarcely possible to expect any definite acts in the direction of the restoration of morality, juridically inescapable rights.

But it would be well to wish that henceforth a declaration of principle in favor of their recognition may be given to calm the agitation and bitterness of so many who feel that they are menaced or injured in their very existence or in the free development of their activity.

We express our heartfelt wish that humanity and those who will show it the way along which it is to move forward will be sufficiently matured intellectually and capable in action to prepare the ground of the future for the new order that will be solid, true and just.

We pray God that it may so happen.

Gov. Price Grants 2 Yule Pardons

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24 (AP)—Though the law didn't take any notice of it, Governor Price viewed the 435 days a man had served in jail prior to being committed to the State Penitentiary for a 2-year term as ground today for granting a conditional pardon.

The prisoner served the 435 days pending disposition of a motion for a new manslaughter trial. Time off for good behavior on a 2-year term would cut it approximately in half, but credit cannot be given until a prisoner is finally sentenced.

The only other Christmas Eve pardon, Jackson said, was that of a prisoner who had served more than 10 years of a life term for murder.

The names were not disclosed.

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By Jerry Klutz

More and more bureaus are being given national defense assignments. Nineteen additional departments and divisions have been added to the list of national defense agencies by the Civil Service Commission, boosting the total to 41. And more agencies are trying to wrangle a place on the coveted list. Why? Because national defense agencies are pretty certain to get more money in the 1942 budget. Fact is that national defense work is now spread over the entire Federal setup, to such an extent that fiscal experts say there won't be any appreciable cut in the 1942 budgets of the old-line departments. National defense agencies are permitted to hire persons from the replacement list which is administered by the Civil Service Commission. The list is composed of persons who have been voluntarily separated from their jobs since June 30, 1939.

New national defense agencies are "all offices or agencies under or connected with the Executive Office of the President," and the Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Bureau, Ten Agriculture bureaus that were brought under the national defense tent are the Secretary's Office, Foreign Service, Animal Industry Bureau, Land Use Coordination Office, Agricultural Marketing Service, Home Economics Bureau, Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering Bureau, Aerial Photographic Laboratory of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Surplus Marketing Administration, and the Agricultural Economics Bureau.

At the Labor Department, the Conciliation Service, personnel director's office, and the wage predetermination unit of the so-called office were placed on the list. Others were the Civil Aeronautics Authority, Maritime Labor Board, Office of Education, and the Public Health Service. Previously the commission had assigned the entire State, War and Navy Departments to the list of defense agencies. Also bureaus in Treasury, Justice, Interior and Federal Works.

An examination for cooks was recently announced by the Civil Service Commission. One of the requirements was that applicants must be 5 feet 4 inches in their stocking feet. This qualification brought forth a protest from an indignant applicant who wrote the commission:

"I have been told that a man of my weight must be 5 feet 4 inches tall in his stocking feet. I have been cooking for 20 years and it has not been necessary for me to cook in my stocking feet yet."

Uncle Sam won't pay full retirement contributions of Federal employees ordered to military service. The Retirement Division has ruled that an employee on military leave will be credited with retirement charges that do not exceed six months in the aggregate in any calendar year. The employee will have to make deposit for the remaining period at a rate of 3 1/2 per cent of his salary to be eligible for the full annuity.

Uncle Sam is the Nation's leading book salesman. Last year the Government Printing Office sold more than 11,000,000 books and other publications. Best seller, as usual, was "Infant Care," with 2,300,000 copies. "Infant Care" is known the world over and it has been translated into a dozen languages. Other best sellers are "The Child From 1 to 6," "The Vitamin Content of Food," "Famous Trees" and "The Care and Repair of the House." There's a demand for scientific and technical treatises.

Dr. John R. Steelman, ace director of the Labor Department's Conciliation Service, was once a seasonal laborer. He now holds five college degrees and once taught economics at the University of Alabama. Agriculture is giving noncompetitive promotion tests to its employees. Civil service exams: Junior communications operator, \$1,620; Signal Service at large. The commission again has liberalized requirements for some Navy Yard jobs.

8-Day Chanukka Observance Begins In Synagogues

With candlelighting ceremonies and gift exchanges, Chanukkah—Jewish feast of the lights—began its eight-day observance throughout the city last night. Worshipers went to synagogues and temples at sundown for services. In one candle there and another upon returning to their homes. On each successive day of the celebration, an additional taper will be lit. At Adas Israel Synagogue, Sixth and I Streets Northwest, Benjamin Grossberg, the sexton, lit and blessed the first candle. Rabbi Solomon H. Meis brought a Chanukkah salutation. Synagogue rites will be held daily during the observance.

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'It's What You Feel Inside'

Christmas Spirit Shines Just as Brightly For the Harveys in Trailer as at Home



CHRISTMAS EVE IN A TRAILER—Lieut. and Mrs. William Harvey opening their gifts.

The red and green and yellow bulbs gleamed just as brightly through the back window of the trailer at Washington Tourist Camp as they would have back home with the folks around, in Montgomery, Ala.

"It may not be quite the same," Bill and Claire were opening Christmas cards and presents, and, after all, they were home—their particular home of the last three years.

The trailer is a story in itself. If any were needed, it has all the comforts and then some.

It's a one-room trailer and the Harveys aspire to a three-room home, they say. Actually, they don't need it.

The Christmas tree lights that threw cheerful beams over the back part of the 15-foot carrier also illuminated a full-size refrigerator, an electric stove, a sofa, a radio, a long window seat, and an assortment of wall compartments that serve as closets for clothing ranging from Claire's evening gowns to Bill's uniform.

There are also such accessories as a 3-foot mint "bed" now slung underneath the trailer, but which next summer will come in useful in July.

Christmas in Washington isn't half bad, the Harveys say, although they haven't gotten quite used to it yet. Bill is a Government engineer.

In the last three years they have cruised through Mississippi and Tennessee, and other parts of the South, working on land conservation projects. Just before they were ordered to duty with the War Department here, they were where the engineering work on the Tennessee and Warrior Rivers in the Volunteer State took them.

Up until now they were always able to get home for Christmas. In a defense-conscious year, apparently, it wasn't so easy.

But still, even in a Nation's Capital, where most people don't talk with an Alabama drawl, the Harveys found Christmas about the same.

There were the presents and the cards, and their rolling, non-stationary, home, and that same old feeling that doesn't change any more than the Mason-Dixon line.

'... Good Will Toward Men'

Animosities Melt in Christmas Spirit as Natives Of Warring Countries Celebrate Together



CHRISTMAS, AMERICAN STYLE—While their nations make war, these natives sing of peace at the International Students' House. Left to right—Bruno Brodevani, an Italian; Rudi Caplan, a German; and Nicholas Stathis, a Greek.

Christmas was a melting pot last night.

Neither was nor rumors of wars could prevent Japanese, Americans, Germans, a Thailander, an Italian, a Greek, a Swiss from joining the fraternity of those who choose to live with good will toward their neighbors—whatever the race or nationality.

The scene was the International Student House at 1709 New Hampshire Avenue.

They were playing a game nobody knew the name of, and their shouts echoed into the street. The idea was to imitate the sound of a certain animal and have another guess what species it was.

Nicholas Stathis, who hails from

Greece, and Bruno Brodevani, a scholarship student at Catholic University from Italy, were at cross purposes over the matter of a duck and a cricket. They gave up and Nicholas slapped Bruno on the back as they laughed.

Both looked solemn when the matter of war was mentioned.

"Naturally I hope Greece wins," said Nicholas.

"And I hope Italy wins," countered Bruno a little stiffly. His face brightened. "But that doesn't matter here tonight, does it? We're far from home and here we are good friends."

Rudi Caplan, a German Jew expelled from his native land, came to the party. "Sure," he hopes Hitler is defeated. It will take a long time, but he thinks it can be done.

"I'll never go back home," he said. "I like this country much more." At present, he is farming in Virginia.

Georges-Henri Martin, a Swiss with a scholarship in economics at American University, pushed his way between Rudi and Bruno. "Now you know how it feels to be in the middle of the Axis," he said.

Humberto Arriaga, a Chilean teaching Spanish at American University, smiled at a pretty American girl and joined the group. K. P. Subramatra, a Thailander touring this country, was introduced.

And suddenly the room was loud with facts and theories about economics, politics, pacifism and counter-pacifism. From the next room came the sound of a Christmas carol. The music drew them all away.

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Death Drives On

Motorcyclist Dies of Fall; Nine Injured

2 Pairs of Neighbors Are Hurt Separately In D. C. Area Traffic; Woman, 73, Is Hit

Traffic accidents in the Washington area took one life yesterday and put nine other persons in hospitals, two of them with critical injuries.

Woratha Shaw, 19-year-old motorcyclist, of East Falls Church, Va., injured Sunday night on the Lees Highway a mile west of Falls Church, died early yesterday in Georgetown Hospital.

He was steering the motorcycle as his brother, William, 21, towed it with an automobile, when the younger Shaw fell off and was dragged several feet along the pavement.

They were headed for a Fairfax garage to have the motorcycle repaired.

Death was attributed to a fractured skull and internal injuries.

Four persons injured in separate Washington area traffic accidents yesterday happened to be residents of the same two houses.

Jerry John, 23, of 4350 Lee Highway, Arlington, was hurt in Maryland, and Clinton Baker, 64, of the same address, was struck by a car near his home. Kirk Robinson, colored, 59, of 2708 F Street Northwest, and Voyd Buchanan, colored, of the same address, were injured in two District accidents.

John was treated at Georgetown Hospital here for shock and head injuries and transferred to Gallinger Hospital for observation after accident near Kensington, Md. Baker suffered a broken leg and also was taken to Georgetown Hospital.

Buchanan was struck by a one of two automobiles—police were not certain which one—as they collided at Twenty-eighth and O Streets Northwest. He was taken to Georgetown Hospital with a broken leg.

Drivers involved in the accident, police said, were Sidney Epstein, 20, of 5121 Connecticut Avenue Northwest, and Frank Centa, 38, of 2140 N Street Northwest.

Robinson suffered a fractured collarbone when struck by a car as he crossed P Street near his home. He was treated at Georgetown Hospital. Police said Robert Marques, 17, of 3503 Tenth Street Northeast, was driver of the automobile.

A 12-year-old woman, Mary Josephine Blake, of 38 I Street Northwest, was critically injured by an automobile in K Street at North Capitol. She was taken to Sibley Hospital with a compound fracture of one leg, a fracture of the other leg, concussion and possible skull fracture. Police listed Joseph Pugh, 29, of 5325 Eastern Avenue Northeast, as driver of the car, and said the woman was crossing against a red light.

Also critically hurt was John Littlejohn, 14, colored, who was taken to Emergency Hospital with head injuries after he was struck by a street car at Fourteenth and Corcoran Streets Northwest. He lives at 1343 Corcoran Street Northwest.

Jean Tryon, 15, of 2802 Twentieth Street Northwest, was struck and slightly injured by a hit-and-run driver at Twentieth Street and Rhode Island Avenue Northeast. She was treated at a physician's office for shock, cuts and bruises and sent home. Police broadcast a look-out for a Virginia automobile carrying two young men and a young woman.

Eight-year-old Chester Rogerson, of 5404 Cathedral Avenue Northwest, suffered a fractured leg, concussion and face cuts when his bicycle collided with an automobile at Weaver and Dorsett Places Northwest. He also was taken to Georgetown Hospital.

James Greer, 34, of 1815 D Street Northwest, a mechanic, was arrested on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicants when his car collided with one driven, police said, by George Brooke, 419 Sixth Street Northwest, at Third and G Streets Northwest. Brooke suffered bruises.

Victim's Leg Fractured

Thomas V. Chaney, 51, of 1159 Third Street Northeast, suffered a fractured right leg and head injuries when he was struck down at Third and K Streets Northeast by a car police said was driven by Robert E. Bennett, 30, of 6394 Third Street Northeast. The injured man was treated at Sibley Hospital.

Knocked to the ground at Georgia Avenue and Ingraham Streets Northwest by an auto allegedly driven by George R. Scott, 35, of 520 Whittier Street Northeast, John Simpson, 65, of 5219 Georgia Avenue Northwest, received severe head cuts. He was treated at Emergency Hospital. Scott was charged at Sixth Precinct Station with failing to give a pedestrian the right of way.

Earlier in the day two motorists were excoriated by a coroner's jury after inquests into traffic fatalities.

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'... Pursuit of Happiness'

Citizenship Is Best Present To Mother From Italy



THE FRANCHI AND MRS. F.'S DIPLOMA—Joy, 9; Gloria, 3; Liana, 5, and Mrs. Alba Franchi look at the latter's diploma from the Americanization School.

Mrs. Alba Franchi Celebrates Her First Completely American Christmas; Won High Honors in Studies

It was the day before Christmas and all through the house at 1203 Clifton Street Northwest the three young Franchis were rushing in exuberant delight.

To their happy expectancy of Christmas morning was added the joy that came from the heart of their mother, Mrs. Alba Franchi.

This is her first completely American Christmas.

"And because I am now an American citizen I have gotten my best Christmas present," she said.

Mrs. Franchi thinks it a very happy Christmas just to have three such lively young daughters: Joy, 9, Liana, 5, and Gloria, 3. But the Christmas spirit didn't stop there.

A couple of weeks ago she received her final American citizenship papers. Next the District Americanization School graduated her with a certificate of "A plus, 100 per cent." Finally the Civitan Club honored her with its certificate of merit for diligence, attendance and achievement at the school.

Mrs. Franchi came to this country from Italy ten years ago. Her husband, George Franchi, is a chef at Mount Vernon. Frequently she hears from her mother and brothers and sisters in Italy.

"They don't talk about the war," she said. "I guess I know more about it here than they do."

Stroking Gloria's head, she looked at her certificate and smiled.

"The best place is here now," she said.

San Francisco, and was blamed for two deaths. Torrential rains, more than 3 inches in 24 hours, broke a two-month drought in Florida regions.

Still, as Kris was heard to say when he dropped in on Washington last night, there were no bombs and antiaircraft shells to dodge, and he had missed the earthquake in New England.

In Santa's wake, warmer weather than yesterday's high of 52 was due today, together with cloudy skies and rain tonight or tomorrow.

Lee Mansion Guard Hurt Battling Intruder

Nick Prencipe, 24, of 108 Quincy Place Northeast, a guard at the Lee Mansion in Arlington Cemetery, suffered several fractured ribs last night while struggling with an intruder attempting to enter the mansion.

Prencipe was treated at Emergency Hospital and returned to his home. He told park police the burglar escaped after striking him in the side with a brick.

Nothing in the mansion was disturbed.

Signals On...



ABOUT TO LIGHT THE TREE—Godfrey L. Munter, president of the Chevy Chase Citizens Association, gives Hazen Hoyt, of Boy Scout Troop 52, the signal to light the community's tree.

Sit and Run Justice

D. C. Officials For Full Time Traffic Judge

McCoach and Brown Voice Opposition To Present System Of Rotating Jurists

(This is the eighth article in a series on the need for a specialized Traffic Court in Washington.)

By Howard F. Wentworth
Post Staff Writer

Commissioner David McCoach, Jr., suggested yesterday that the city heads sit down with the four Police Court judges for a frank discussion of the possibilities of establishing a permanent traffic court with full-time judges in Washington. He was one of nearly a dozen leaders in the local traffic-control field who endorsed the Post's "Sit-and-Run-Justice" articles and offered comment on the best ways and means of obtaining a "specialized" traffic court.

McCoach said he was anxious to go into the matter carefully and proposed a discussion with the judges and all other parties concerned. He said he was opposed to the present rotating system of traffic court judges and cited Los Angeles as an outstanding example of major cities which appoint a judge to serve not less than a year in traffic court.

Indorsed by Brown

"Rotating judges once a month in traffic court is certainly too frequent," said McCoach. "I feel a better job all around can be done if the rotation period were longer—even a year as in Los Angeles."

He offered no suggestion as to how the city might go about the job of establishing a full-time traffic judge, and said that he wouldn't discuss the matter with both sides.

McCoach's sentiments were echoed by Maj. Ernest W. Brown, police superintendent. A study of full-time traffic courts in other cities—made personally by members of his department—convinced him, Mr. Brown said, that it was "by far the most efficient method of traffic enforcement."

"I have advocated a full-time traffic judge for Washington for many years," said Maj. Brown. "I am not in favor of the rotating system and never have been. I am glad to see the subject reopened here and hope before long to see something done to change the existing procedure."

Leary Compliments Post

Whitney Leary, chairman of the Commissioners' Traffic Advisory Council, proposed a concerted drive to obtain legislation providing the Police Court with a fifth judge so that one may be assigned full time to regular traffic court and another full time to handle jury cases.

He complimented The Post on its current series and said the "specialized" traffic court plan has long been needed here.

"The advisory council already has approved suggested legislation for an additional judge to handle traffic," said Leary, "and I think that the end to which we all must work."

The general view seemed to be that, in considering vacation periods and absences because of illness among the judges, an additional jurist would be needed to establish the full-time plan. There was no comment on the present court hours kept by the four judges.

Howat in Favor

P. Y. K. Howat, chairman of the Board of Traffic Traffic Committee, declared The Post had done a "splendid job," and said that everything should be done to secure from Congress authorization for an additional judge.

"My committee," he said, "went on record favoring the permanent traffic court only after a careful study of the system in other cities like Milwaukee and Evanston."

We're working hard to put the plan across."

Harry Wender, local attorney, member of the Traffic Advisory Council and traffic chairman of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, suggested two methods of establishing the proposed court:

"Either the judges must become reconciled to the idea and a full-time traffic judge be assigned from among them," said Wender, "or we must get out and work for appointment of a fifth member of the bench."

Wender further suggested one of the present judges be assigned to traffic court on a trial basis of six months "to see what would happen." If it was found the work was too heavy, there still would be time to put the matter up to Congress, Wender declared.

The permanent court, to be established in any manner seen fit, was also endorsed by Inspector Arthur E. Miller, police accident prevention head; Inspector William E. Holmes, police traffic supervisor; and Assistant Traffic Director M. O. Eldridge.

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This Morning

With Shirley Povich

Good Will Toward Men

Ray Flaherty, coach of the Redskins, who suffered in the Trojan manner during and after that tortuous 73-0 defeat by the Bears, and kept his head about him, and bore his players no ill will; who always could find time despite his own problems to lend a hand to a sandlot or high school coach; who hesitated to release an old football player until he could steer him into another sort of job; who was more grieved for the Washington fans than for himself when his Redskins lost a game, and who is a guarantee that Washington will never be a door-mat in pro football.

Walter Johnson, who lost his battle for election to Congress and earned the praise of his victorious opponent as a sportsman even in politics; who as a Montgomery County Commissioner helped to obtain wage increases for county employees; who has permitted the admission of a nation's fashions through the years to turn his head; who gives freely of his time to lead his presence to charitable causes; who has retired gracefully from baseball with none of the bitterness that often marks an old ball player; who reveals in his niche now as a man of the soil with his farm, his dogs and his gun.

Joe Turner, wrestling and boxing promoter; who during the course of a year will produce more profit for charity than for himself; who is a veritable push-over for the ne'er-do-wells in need of a stake; who concerns himself with former employees down on their luck and who maintains the city's biggest pass list because he can't say no; who can honestly see skill in wrestling when others are wont to raise an eyebrow; who still has a profound admiration for the game which has left him with twenty bone fractures of his own.

Willy Cox, Congressional Golf pro; who lights up any gathering with his rare good humor; who wouldn't fire his golf shop boy despite orders until he obtained for him a job upstairs as night watchman; who is patron saint of his club's large crew of caddies; who caused to be built for his caddies a warmer and more spacious caddy house and provided them hot soup daily for lunch when the cold weather set in; who happily continues to link Washington with big-time golf.

Clark Griffith, owner of the Nats; who quietly distributes his largesse in a hundred directions even while he may be maligned by unthinking Washington fans; who is never happier than when fanning a small girl or little boy on his knee and who delights when they pluck at his heavy brows; who is still paying the rent of an evicted widow and her children; who will not aver to a waiter but who would be the first to help a fellow man in need; who feels a genuine responsibility for his ball players after they are done playing ball for him.

Dick Tennissen, District of Columbia Playgrounds director; who probably knows more about playground affairs and their operation and the needs of the city's juveniles than anybody else in authority; yet who does not have the authority due him; who has probably molded more character than any other man in Washington; whose supposed Government hours are a sham, and who labors far into the night in the interest of the city's youth; who grew up on the city's playgrounds and who has made good boys of bad boys by the hundreds.

Carter Barron, theater executive; who bears down heavily on every charitable enterprise, with zest; who is quick to associate himself with every worthwhile cause and who makes little speeches born of a profoundly sentimental spirit; who cheerfully donates his professional talent and who has a deep affection for sports; who is willing, if painfully, to understand how it could happen that the Redskins or any other team could lose a football game, 73-0, because he had played the game.

Roland Lund, Anacostia High Coach; who uncompromisingly accepts the scrutiny and underequipped kids that make up the bulk of his material and molds them into presentable if not winning teams; who does a masterful job in keeping up the spirit of his boys when knowing they are doomed to lose; who has earned the deep love and affection of all of his squads, and who fits the model of what a high school coach should be.

Joe Helman, press-agent; who lives the work he does; who is big, benevolent, and beguiling in his demands; who did not become jaded despite a dozen years as a sports writer and who perceives a great deal of good in the worst; who thrills honestly to a fine performance and can still here-worship; who found the time despite his varied jobs to put between the covers of his two books of verse the homely tributes he felt; who digs quietly, but deep, into his own pocket.

Bill Reinhart, G. W. U. coach; who does a masterful job with his athletes; who helps them to plot their future and steers them in proper channels; who seems as big as the boys and who is the sort of a coach who can convince his boys they had a chance to beat Georgetown; who suffers with them in their losses and who plays no favorites; who doesn't look down his nose at the boys who happen to be small; who is now providing Washington with what may be his best college basketball team in history.

Charley Reynolds, Boys Club director; who softens up the tough element in Southeast Washington and then toughens them in the right direction; who teaches them to box, not to fight; who preaches hard play but fair play and who gets in the ring with boys bigger than he is to help drive his points home; who has become an idol of the boys in his charge; and who, incidentally, has come to be recognized as Washington's finest professional referee.

Jockey Jake, everybody's friend; who is indeed, that; who moves about easily in the company of capitalists or mugs; who can spare a five-spot to anybody in a spot; who sells horse pictures, or gives them away; who can demand passes, loudly, to anything, and get them because he is Jockey Jake; who is a noble little fellow underneath a soiled cap.

On the Line

With CONSIDINE

(Editor's Note: This is the third of a series of columns recreating the peak moments of each major sport, during 1940.)

New York, Dec. 24.—The greatest tennis match I saw during 1940 was the one at Forest Hills between Don McNeill, of Oklahoma City, and Bobby Riggs, of Chicago, for the national singles championship.

This was the setting: The stadium was filled to the last seat, and the flags of many nations, fluttering in the early September sunshine. The center court smooth as a billiard table. The excited cackle of the telegraph keys under the press marquee. The officials taking their places. The two players, Riggs, short, strong, cocky; McNeill, taller, better looking. The feeling of more than a half a century of tradition behind this final match—and the memory of the spikes that had punctured the turf of that now perfect center court in bygone years.

CONSIDINE
Tilden, Johnston, Richards, Loeblein, Cochet, Borotra, Perry, Vines, Budge, Von Cramm.

This was the situation: Riggs was defending champion, and 8-to-3 favorite. He had beaten McNeill three times before this match. But McNeill had won from the champion on three other occasions, never, however, on grass. Riggs was determined to win because he felt that he could then turn pro, at his peak, and join the other netmen who had hit the golden trail. Riggs started out with the rather insolent-appearing aggressiveness for which he is famous. He was feverish for those bucks, and it must have affected McNeill, because Don got buck-fever. He missed easy setups and Riggs, who was making miraculously few errors, won the first two sets easier than the scores of 6-4, 6-6 would indicate. It was almost too easy, and certainly was too dull for a number of fans, because they began looking around for the exits.

Then McNeill won the third set, 6-3. But it was plainly one of those things. Players who have a 2-0 lead in five-set matches usually let up in the third. They stand in the back-court, make the anxious opponent run himself dizzy, and they don't chase after the wide ones. They're saving their wind for the big fourth set. So when McNeill won the set, few thought more of his eventual chances of winning the match. For Riggs let him have it, and indicated that it was a gift by stopping once, between games, to remove his shoes and cut his toenails.

But as it turned out, the winning of that third set was what McNeill needed. He was in wonderful physical condition, and it had not taken as much of him to win as Riggs thought it would. What is more it had given him the "touch" he had lacked in the first two sets. And now, as they started on the fourth set, McNeill began pouring his body, and soul, too, for that matter, into every shot. His shots took a lower, flatter, more brilliant trajectory. And it was Riggs, now, who began to do the running, and who began the awesome job of trying to win with his own placements—where he had been winning by McNeill's errors.

McNeill took the fourth set, 6-3, also, to pull up abreast of Riggs at two-sets each.

Then the match really began. They won their services for the first six games, to tie, 2-2. But then Riggs, who is a game kid who never folds, broke through McNeill's amazing service to go out to 4-3. It

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Nats Trade Krakauskas for Ben Chapman

Lee Taylor Rides Triple at Tropical Park

Wins Feature Of Day With Williamstown

Pulls to Within 3 Winners of Dew in Battle for Year's Riding Championship

By the Associated Press

Tropical Park, Fla., Dec. 24.—Walter Lee Taylor, still favored by getting more and better mounts than the leading Earl Dew, continued to gain in threatening fashion for the American riding title of 1940 here this afternoon. Taylor rounded out a triple in the featured Christmas Eve purse, fifth on the card, when he booted Jake Freedman's Williamstown, a 3-to-5 shot, to a three-lengths victory. F. P. Jump's Weekly Stipend was second by 5 lengths, while P. L. Kelley's Radio accounted for the show.

After this race, Taylor was only three-winners behind Dew for the year. Taylor today had seven mounts, while the Iowa lad had only two. Dew won with one of his mounts but is at a distinct disadvantage. The boy late last night changed his jockey agent in a move to aid the situation. After today's fifth race the count stood: Dew, 253; Taylor, 279.

Winner Timed in 1:47

Williamstown, victorious in his two starts at the meeting to date, needed 1:47 to complete the mile and a sixteenth over a slow track. Williamstown, with all the speed of the field, shot into an early advantage and never was in danger. Pete Gene, then Radio and finally Weekly stipend had flings at the favorite, but the son of St. James showed no sign of faltering at any time and made Taylor's task an easy one.

The Runner, ever partial to a soft track, got up to score a head race in the mile and a sixteenth of the next-to-closing number. Tommy May kept the \$11.50-for-\$2 chance within close range of the early pace, cut out by Bone Boat, Autograph and The Runner moved past the leader before turning for home, with the latter having the more left at the end. Autograph held two lengths margin over Howellsville. Red Rogue, the even-money choice, moved up with a rush near the last turn. He appeared to suddenly lose his stride entering the stretch and wound up last.

Taylor Wins Opener

Dew's margin over Taylor for the 1940 riding championship was reduced to four as a result of Taylor's victory astride Kahyrite in the initial dash of six furlongs. Running past Subura and the heavily backed Lewistown in the first three furlongs, Kahyrite moved clear and scored by three lengths, ridden out by his hand riding pilot. Subura saved the place by a length, with Bolivar third. Lewistown folded up completely.

Earl Dew rode his second winner of the meeting and regained his lead of five over Taylor in the second race. The Iowa youngster scored Conscript to a length and a half triumph, and Taylor finished second on the favored Mahdi.

Clark Shaughnessy Is Given a Watch For Grid Success

By the Associated Press

Palo Alto, Calif., Dec. 24.—Clark Shaughnessy, the Stanford football coach, who has gotten himself pretty much talked of this last season, had more time in his pockets than on his hands today.

For putting Stanford into the Rose Bowl in his first season as coach, Shaughnessy was presented with the Spokane (Wash.) Round Table award for contributing the year's outstanding national athletic endeavor. It was a swell watch, which makes at least two timepieces now in the Shaughnessy collection.

Marvin "Bud" Ward, secretary of the Round Table and former national amateur golf champion, brought the watch to Palo Alto. He was aided in the ceremonies by Orin E. "Babe" Hollingbery and "Buck" Bailey, head and assistant football coaches, respectively, at Washington State College, and Matty Bell, mentor of Southern Methodist University.

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One Man's Family at Christmastide...



Note the tennis racquet, which is entirely proper in the scheme of Christmas gifts at the Tom Mangans. The former District of Columbia and Middle Atlantic tennis champion is seen with Mrs. Mangans and their children (left to right), Barbara, 12; Tommy, 11; Joanna, 9, and Johnny, 4, as Christmas descends on the household.

Lio Selected For McDonald Grid Award

Hoya Guard to Join Harmon, Reagan at Touchdown Banquet

Augie Lio, Georgetown guard and a member of several current all-American teams, has been selected unanimously to receive the Arch McDonald-WJSV award as the outstanding local college football player.

This award will be made by McDonald on January 6 at the annual Touchdown Club banquet at the Willard Hotel. There Lio will join Tom Harmon, Forest Evanshewski, and Penn's Francis Reagan, John Kimbrough, Bob Suffridge and other outstanding college football heroes who will be honored.

Announcement of Lio's award was made by J. Leighton Cornwall, chairman of the Touchdown Club committee of awards. Lio, a 200-pound senior and a star place-kicker, won all-America recognition this season mainly on the strength of his great performance against Boston College. In that important game which decided the Eastern representative in the Sugar Bowl, Lio place-kicked a 52-yard field goal and was a great defensive figure throughout a bitterly fought battle.

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Hoyas Leave Today For Orange Bowl

Christmas Party at Hilltop Is Sendoff for Opponents of Miss. State on New Year's Day

Loaded with turkey which they will gobble at a special party at noon today at the Hilltop, the Georgetown University football squad will leave at 5:30 this afternoon for Miami and its New Year's Day engagement with Mississippi State in the Orange Bowl.

Local practice having been completed in a morning session yesterday, the 34 Hoyas football players will be off today on the most important football trip that Georgetown, the oldest Catholic college in the country, has ever taken.

But before they board the Orange Blossom Special today, the Hoyas will temporarily forget their grim preparations for the Orange Bowl as they enjoy a Christmas Day party at the Hilltop. Individual gifts for the players and a gaily decorated tree will help the home-sick Hoyas ease their longings to be with their loved ones during the days when Georgetown is preparing for its first post-season bowl game.

Included among the Georgetown contingent leaving today for Miami are Coach Jack Hagerity, "Mush" Dubosky, and George Murlough, Trainer Harry Crowley, Rev. Father Law, S. J., prefect of discipline, Manager Jim Murray and Jim McKay, custodian of property. A second Georgetown detachment will leave Sunday. This will include alumni members and students, the 60-piece Georgetown band, and the Rev. Father John J. Kehoe, faculty director of athletics, who, after a long illness, is prepared to see the Georgetown team in a game for the first time this season. In addition to this bunch will be a group of rooters who will board the train at Newark, Philadelphia, Baltimore and in Washington.

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Bob Westfall Rescues 8-Year-Old

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 24 (AP)—Robert (Bullet Bob) Westfall, University of Michigan football captain-elect and one of the Nation's leading ground gainers last season, played a hero's role today.

The 190-pound Wolverine fullback rescued 8-year-old Nelson Turner, who fell through ice on the Huron River, by pushing him to safety. Two policemen attempting to rescue Turner also crashed through the thin layer of ice.

All four were brought ashore by a rescue party that had gone to their aid by rowboat.

W. B. C. Decathlon Meet Is Set

The boys department of the Central Y. M. C. A. will hold its annual decathlon championships tomorrow in the boys building, 1732 G Street Northwest.

Five different groups are to compete, according to age, height and weight. The events are to include dashes of various lengths, such as a potato race, running and standing broad jumps, chin-ups, push-ups, basketball throw and baseball target throw.

Western Reserve Squad To Drill Tomorrow

Cleveland, Dec. 24 (AP)—Western Reserve University's Sun Bowl-bound footballers idle since last week's sessions of the Christmas holiday, will resemble for practice Thursday and Friday and leave Saturday for the New Year's Day game with Arizona State at El Paso, Tex.

Allen Bought By Browns From Indians

4th Hurler Obtained For Cash in Effort To Bolster Staff

By the Associated Press

St. Louis, Dec. 24.—Purchase of Johnny Allen from the Cleveland Indians was announced tonight by the Browns in a deal bringing the fourth veteran pitcher acquired by the team since the close of last season.

Allen, 25-year-old right-hander with a major league record of 117 victories and 53 defeats, was obtained in a straight cash transaction at a reported outlay of \$20,000. The temperamental pitcher came up with the New York Yankees in 1932 and celebrated his first year by winning 15 games and losing only 4 to lead all American League pitchers in percentage with a mark of .810.

The Yanks traded him to Cleveland in 1934 and the following season Allen had his best year. He led all major league pitchers with a percentage of .938, winning 15 games, all in a row.

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Outfielder Returns To Locals After Four Years; Harris Pleased With Transaction

By Shirley Povich

Outfielder Ben Chapman returns to the Washington club in an even swap for Pitcher Joe Krakauskas, who goes to Cleveland, it was announced last night by President Clark Griffith, of the Nats.

The deal was completed yesterday by long distance telephone, Griffith stated. He added that the trade marks the collapse of negotiations with the St. Louis Browns from whom he had been seeking Outfielder Chet Laabs.

Thus the 32-year-old Chapman, who served with the Nats in 1938 again will take his place in the Washington outfield. And in Krakauskas the Nats released a pitcher whom they patiently tried to develop into a winner for five years.

Two years ago, Jimmy Fox and other American League hitters described Krakauskas as "faster than Feller," but Manager Bucky Harris, saw no cure for his lack of control. For five seasons with the Nats and in the Washington farm system, Krakauskas was given an opportunity to curb his wildness. Krakauskas is 23 years old.

Chapman, who has been rated a .300 hitter, batted only .286 for Cleveland last season. He was a member of the crack-hitting Cleveland outfield that is charged with costing the Indians the 1940 pennant.

Manager Bucky Harris expressed himself as highly pleased with the deal, declaring: "We were at the end of our patience with Krakauskas. I wish him luck with the Indians and he can throw a ball hard, but with us he showed no signs of acquiring control."

May Improve

Harris foresees Chapman as aiding in an improvement of the Washington outfield. "With Roger Cramer in center and Chapman in left," said Harris, "we can move George Caster back to right field, which is his best position. I rate Chapman a far better outfielder than Gerald Walker, and I do not consider him a weak link in the outfield. On the bases will also help our club."

The Nats' manager also revealed further plans for his 1941 ball club, declaring: "We may not have a heavy-hitting team, but we will have men who can get their hits. We'll bat Chapman in third place and Bucky Harris in fourth."

Lewis in the cleanup spot represents a new departure for the Nats, but Harris declared: "He looks like our best bet for the mop-up position. He has hit the ball a long way and last year he batted .317. Case will lead off, Cramer will bat second, Chapman third, Lewis fourth, Travis fifth, George Archie sixth, Jimmy Bloodworth seventh and then our catcher and pitcher."

Chapman broke into the big leagues in 1930 after two seasons in Yankee farms at Asheville, N. C., and St. Paul. Originally he was a third baseman, but manager Joe McCarthy persuaded him to shift to the outfield, where he was a regular with the Yankees for five years, during which time he gained fame as the game's leading base stealer.

Early in 1936, after a tilt with Manager McCarthy, Chapman was traded to the Nats in a straight swap for Jake Powell.

At Cleveland Chapman's position is supposed to have become untenable since late last season when he frankly expressed to newspapermen that he "would rather play for the Washington club than the Cleveland team. He has been on the block ever since."

Krakauskas, never a consistent winner with the Nats, scored only one victory last season against six defeats and was used chiefly in relief roles.

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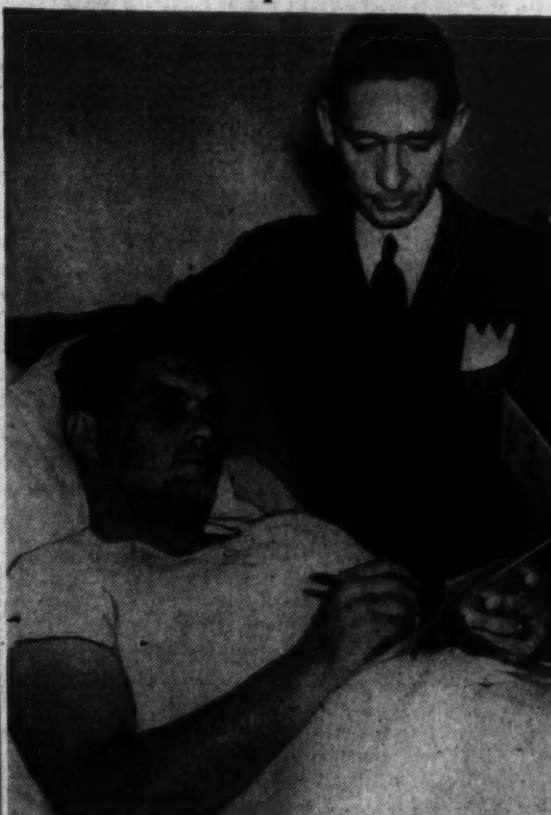
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TO ALL
OUR FRIENDS
AND CLIENTS
A HAPPY HOME
AND A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS
LEO. M. BERNSTEIN
REAL ESTATE
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SAINT THOMAS CHURCH
15th St. between P and Q
REV. H. S. WILKINSON,
D. D., RECTOR
Christmas Day
DECEMBER 25
8 A. M. Holy Communion
11 A. M. Choral Evensong

Season's Greeting
to All
from
The Telephone
Sales Division of
The Washington Post

Christmas GREETINGS
To Our Host of Patrons
Beer
Wine
and
DRINKS
of all
Kinds
SEA GRILL
1806-1851 H St. N.W.
Never Closed

Boys' Club of Washington
In Its 50th Year Extends
SEASON'S GREETINGS
Member of
Community Chest and
Boys' Clubs
of America, Inc.
17th & MASS. AVE. S.E.

Season's GREETINGS
Thomas W. Parks
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Augustana Lutheran Church
Welcome you to worship at
the beautiful sanctuary on
V STREET N.W.
OFF 16TH ST.
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m.
Rev. Arthur O. Helm
Res. 2829 Venable St. N.W.
EDMONT 1011.

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Season's Greetings
"May the Lord Take
A Loving In You"
LEE EVERETT
WMAL-RADIO STATION

Season's GREETINGS
FROM THE CITY'S OLDEST
EXCLUSIVE BURNER SHOP
AARNES BURNER CO.
18 H St. N.W. RE. 2313

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ST. MATTHEW'S CATHEDRAL
Right Rev. Mgr. Edward L.
Bucker, F. A. Rector.
Masses Dec. 25-7:15 A. M.
to 12:30 P. M.
11:00 A. M. High Mass.
Rhode Island at Conn. N.W.

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Cherry Musical Greetings
JACK MORTON
Washington's finest
Orchestra and
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8411 MASS. AVE.
WASHINGTON 2625

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
1941
1940
from
JOE TURNER
Washington's Boxing &
Wrestling Promoter
Gabe Monendez Matchmaker
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14TH & W STS. N.W.

SEASON'S GREETINGS
BLISS
PROPERTIES
REAL ESTATE
1811 Columbia Rd. N. W.

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Washington Cathedral
A House of Prayer
for All People
Week Day Services
7:30 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M.
Sundays-7:30 A. M.,
9:30 A. M., 11 A. M., 4 P. M.

Spring Valley Electric Shop
4901 Navy Ave. N.W. ME. 5283
Open evenings
Free Patching to Door of Store

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SEASON'S GREETINGS
EDWARDS
REALTY COMPANY
1006 N. WASHINGTON BLVD.
DINWIT 4783

Season's GREETINGS
Greetings to All
At the holidays it is a real
joy to put aside the routine
of every day business, and
in real sincerity wish all our
friends every happiness.
R. HUMPHRIES
REALTOR
808 No. Capitol Street
National 8790

Season's GREETINGS
Waggoner Drumm
Realty Corporation

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May the ritual of home add joy
to your holidays and may it keep
your happy throughout the com-
ing year.
**PERPETUAL
BUILDING ASS'N.**
240 11th St. N.W. NA. 4506



Christmas Greetings



The Following Firms And Individuals Unite In Extending Sincere Good Wishes

Merry Christmas
and the Season's best to our
friends and patrons.
"See us for a
good used truck"
International Harvester Co.
901 Bladenburg Rd. N.E.
ATLANTA 2008

Merry Christmas
to everybody
from
Harry and Ray
and their boys
and girls at
KEARNEY OLDSMOBILE
7 New York Ave. N.E.
Roxboro 4444

Bauserman's
Arlington County's Oldest
Chrysler-Plymouth Dealer
Columbia Pike and Globe Rd.
Homer G. Bauserman wishes
his many friends and pa-
trons the very best in
health and wealth at Christ-
mas time!

Greetings
and it is our wish
to have an ice-cream
cake on every table.
Flour's Confectionery
BROOKLYN 111
4115 BROOKLYN AVE.

SEASON'S
GOOD WISHES
Awnings
Window Shades
Venetian Blinds
WM. C. BROOKS
3421 14TH ST. N.W. CO. 2618

SEASONS
Greetings
QUAKER CITY LINOLEUM
COMPANY
801 F St. N.W. ME. 1682

YINGLING & JOHNSON
BARBER SHOP
Wish all the friends and cus-
tomers they have served
Best Wishes for a
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year
808 14th St. N.W. ME. 6071
1411 F St. N.W. ME. 1922

Seasons Greetings
New Books Lending Library
**FRANCIS SCOTT KEY
Book Shop**
29th & O Sts. N.W. HO. 4341
Ample Space for Parking

We Cordially
Extend to
Our Loyal
Friends and
Patrons
All the
Blessings of A
Merry Xmas
ARCADE PONTIAC
Jack J. Blank, President
1437 IRVING ST. N.W.
AD. 8500

Merry Christmas
TO OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS
from our entire personal
Northwest's Oldest Chrysler Dealer
Gardner-Stuart Motors
823 H ST. N.E.
Used Car Dept.
210 & 14th Ave. N.E.
901 Bladenburg Rd. N.E.

Merry Christmas
to all of you
from all of us at
GARDNER MOTOR CO.
Your Virginia Nash Dealer
3245 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va.
2827 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va.

Cordial
Season's
Greetings
from
Major Ernest W. Brown
and
The Metropolitan Police Department

Holiday
Cheer
...and the expressive
desire to serve you in
the coming year
IMPERIAL PHARMACY
2436 F St. N.W. ME. 2088
"24-Hour Service"

SEASON'S GREETINGS
Badminton, Tennis,
Swedish Massage,
Equipment, Shoes,
Restaurants
RACQUET SHOP
HARRY A. HOWLETT
127 13th St. N.W.
2nd Floor NA. 2476

TO OUR MANY
FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
W. R. Winslow Co.
922 New York Ave. N.W.

TO EMPLOYERS
We Finders
Careful Service
And to Our Applicants
We Assure Efficient
Attention
To one and all
Prason's Greetings
WATERS' AGENCY
1212 7th St. N.W. DE. 3800
Cordial Season's Greetings

Season's Greetings
AND HAPPY MOTORING
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
**AUTOMOTIVE
Equipment Service Co.**
1504 17th Street N.W.
DUFONT 2880

Greetings
and Best Wishes
For the Merriest
Christmas Ever!
from
Wilson Pontiac Co.
800 Georgia Ave.
Silver Spring, Md.

TO GREET YOU
once again, our friends, at
this Happy Holiday Season
with a Merry Christmas.
"BUP" Limerick
and the boys of
Limerick's Service Station
Wm. H. Limerick
4430 Reservoir Road N.E.

We extend heartfelt wishes
for a Happy Xmas Season
to all our customers and
friends and we cordially
invite your continued
patronage.
E. P. SECKER, INC.
Photostats and Blue Prints
1018-18 West Front St.
N.E. 1930

To all our friends and
clients we extend our
sincere good wishes.
Serving you has been a
pleasure.
Arlene's Beauty Shop
Mrs. E. Shaver
2423 14th St. N.W. CO. 10435

Merry
Christmas
TO ALL MY FRIENDS
AND PATRONS
**CHINESE LANTERN
RESTAURANT**
Real Chinese Food, Fine Liquors,
Cocktails and Wines
8 Mass. Ave. N.W. LI. 30003
Near Union Station
Beautiful Chinese Gifts and
Souvenirs for Sale at Cashier's Desk

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Abundance of
Joy and Good
Wishes to All
Judd & Detweiler
(Printers)
Florida Ave. and Robinson
Fl. N.E.

Season's Greetings
MAY
GOOD LUCK
PROSPERITY
AND
HAPPINESS
BE YOUR LOT
HOME OIL COMPANY
4th & Cedar Sts. N.W. CO. 2370

Greetings
and Best Wishes for the finest
Christmas ever for you and
yours from all of us at
Stewart Motor Co.
Used Car Branch
1919 West Va. Ave. N.E.

MERRY
XMAS
TO
ALL OF YOU
From
ALL OF US
AT
PAUL BROS
Oldsmobile Sales & Service
2220 Wisconsin Ave. N.W.
Woodley 1181

Sincere Wishes for
A Happy New Year
To All Our Friends and Patrons
BERTHA HAT SHOP
3020 Conn. Ave.

THE LIGHTS ARE
ALWAYS BURNING
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND HAPPY MOTORING
BURNERS ESSO STATION
N. Y. and N. J. Ave. ME. 6125

Best Wishes
For a Very
HAPPY CHRISTMAS
Accept Our Sincere Appreciation
of Your Good Will and Patronage
J. E. Hurley
Machine and Boler Works
1015 Half St. S.E. LI. 0452

Sincere Wishes for the
Merriest Christmas
To Our Friends and
Patrons
**CANDLESTICK
COFFEE SHOP**
1710 E St. N.W.
ME. 7126

Season's
GREETINGS
Friends, Customers, Associates
we appreciate the good will and
patronage you have given us in
1940 and wish to have the pleas-
ure of serving you in 1941.
WE CAB CO.
7003 Georgetown Rd. W. 5100
24-hour Service

GREETINGS
Friends meet here for a Sip and
Bite or for the tastiest full-course
meal. We invite you to this
cozy, epic-and-then-rendevous.
KENESAW CAFE
16th and Irving St. N.W. CO. 3628

Merry Christmas
everybody and best wishes
for the jolliest Holiday sea-
son ever from everybody at
UNIVERSITY MOTORS
Your suburban Nash Dealer
Berwyn, Md. (Belt, Blvd.)
Berwyn 480

from Paul A. Sellers
and Personnel
It is with pleasure that we
extend to our Customers
and Friends our sincere
wishes for a Very Merry
Christmas.
SELLERS
Sales & Service
DeSoto-Plymouth Dealers
415 Balto. Blvd.
Riverdale, Md.

We wish to extend our
thanks for your patron-
age. And add our
wishes for a
Merry Christmas
Louis Kavakas Bill Kavakas
KAVAKOS GRILL
717 H St. N.E.

TO OUR FRIENDS
AND PATRONS
CAPITAL SEWING MACHINE
817 F St. N.W.
SOPHIA 1700

Merry Christmas
Happy New Year
TO ALL
Northeast Body Works
NEAR 1941 N ST. N.E.
LI. 9570

Greetings to Our
Friends and
Customers.
F. G. JACKSON
PLUMBER
Near 1008 E St. N.W.
NA. 9311

Season's
GREETINGS
TO ALL
FOOD FAIR
Table Supply
And Food Stores

Christmas Cheer
Christmas
Greetings to Our
Many Friends and
Patrons
SPECIAL HOLIDAY
DINNERS
**THE OCCIDENTAL
HOTEL**
1411 Penn. Ave. N.W.

Hear Ye-Hear Ye
Today instead of
describing the greatest
Used Car Values in
Washington we pause
to greet you and wish
you a very Merry
Christmas—every one
from all of us at
L. P. Stewart, Inc.
DeSoto-Plymouth Distributor
New Car Showroom
1401 14th St. N.W.
SERVICE—1440 F St. N.W.
USED CAR SHOWROOM
1325 14th St. N.W.
DeSoto 4800

Merry Christmas
EVERYBODY
From Our
Entire
Personnel
**HYATTSVILLE AUTO &
SUPPLY CO.**
"TOUR BUICK" DEALER
Hyattsville, Md.—Warfield 4020
(on the Boulevard)

We wish to extend our
thanks for your patronage
and best wishes for
A Merry Xmas
Dave's
D. G. S. Market
2827 14th St. N.W.

Joy and Prosperity to our long
list of friends and patrons.
ENTERPRISE ROOFING CO.
BETHESDA, Md. NA. 2161

Just Long Enough
to Wish You
A Happy New Year
W. H. STOMBOCK & SON
Washington's Complete Saddlery
Store
2878 M St. N.W. ME. 0488

Merry Xmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS—BOTH
OLD AND NEW
BURROWS SERVICE STATION
Bethesda's Second Oldest Garage
6821 Wisconsin Ave. WI. 6000

Season's Greetings
this is a small card, but it comes
from a big heart to wish you one
and all a
Very Merry Christmas
Timothy Hanlon
641 H St. N.E. AT. 3570

Season's Greetings
TO ALL OF YOU..
from all of us!
GENERAL CREDIT CO.
THE BELL BLDG.
and "Bak" Headmen, too
From 1741 Johnson Ave. N.W.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
SINCERE WISHES FOR A
GRAND AND GLORIOUS
HOLIDAY SEASON TO
ALL OF YOU...FROM
ALL OF US...AT
**NORTHEAST
MOTOR CO.**
1500 14th St. N.W.
620 BLADENBURG S.E.

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Season's Greetings
TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS
**AMERICAN WINDOW AND
VACUUM CLEANING CO.**
and
American Building Cleaning
Contractors, Inc.
1801 M St. N.W. ME. 6442-1-3

We extend to all our Friends
our sincere Greetings and
Wish all A Merry Christmas
MURPHY & AMES
Lumber, Millwork, Roofing
ROBERTLYN, VA.
Phone Chestnut 1111
Branch Yards
Herdon 1 Falls Church 1180

Volunteers
of
America
Thank one
and all
Major
W. O. Ulrey
8 and 3rd St. N.W. ME. 8100

Season's Greetings
MODEL FARMIS DAIRY
827 PENNINGTON ST. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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To all of you..
from all of us!
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From 1741 Johnson Ave. N.W.

Season's Greetings
to all our friends
and consumers
RICHFIELD DAIRY
1220 So. Capitol AT. 0058

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**BERGMANN'S
LAUNDRY**
623 G ST. N.W. ME. 2220

Season's Greetings
Listen My Children
and You Shall Hear
of the Best Place to
Eat Throughout the
New Year.
BASSINO DELICATESSEN
OPEN ALL NIGHT
1349 E Street N.W.

Best
Wishes
TO YOU AND YOURS
Open all day Xmas
and
Open All Day
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"GOOD LUCK"
**HARVARD
LIQUOR STORE**
2801 Sherman Ave.
CO. 3040

Season's GREETING
House & Herrmann
7th & Eye Sts. N.W.
DI. 3180

Season's Greetings
J. F. RIDELL & SON
ROOFERS
182 Carroll Ave.
Takoma Park, Md.
RI. 4480

Merry Xmas
TO ALL OUR
FRIENDS
AND
CUSTOMERS
ADAMS 1300
G. H. SCHULZE
1802 BLADENBURG RD. N.E.

Merry Christmas
to my
many friends
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sincerely Robert Melvin,
MELVIN MOTOR SALES
"The home of better used cars"
228 Twining Rd. N.E.
Lincoln 10451

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Greetings
AND HEALTH, TO
ALL OUR FRIENDS
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**DIXIE CHICKEN
SHOP**
2212 14th St. N.W. ME. 3022

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to my
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QUITE PLEASED WITH THE IMPRESSION MADE ON THE LANDLADY, SUPERMAN, DISGUISED AS WATSON, WALKS JAUNTILY TOWARD THE STREET CAR STOP.



JOE PALOOKA

A Merry Christmas to You All!

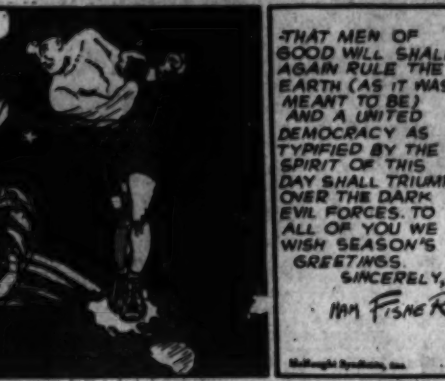


BY JERRY SIEGEL AND JOE SHUSTER



BY HAM FISHER

SOME OF OUR PAPERS WILL NOT PUBLISH TODAY, SO YOU WILL EXCUSE US IF WE DROP OUR STORY TO SAY TO OUR READERS ALL OVER AMERICA, IN CANADA, AFRICA, ENGLAND, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AMERICA AND OTHER LANDS...



WINNIE WINKLE

Merry Christmas for the Present

BY BRANNER



MR. AND MRS.

Merely a State of Mind

BY ARTHUR FOLWELL AND ELLISON HOOVER



NAPOLEON AND UNCLE ELMY

I'm Your Man

BY MONTE BARRETT AND RUSSELL ROSS



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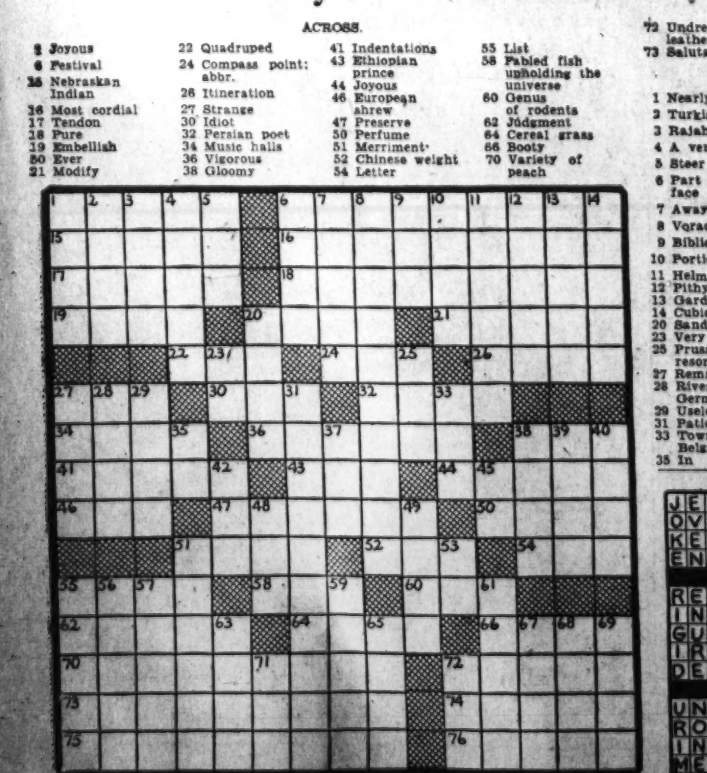
Rev. U. S. Pat. Off.

I'm Your Man

BY MONTE BARRETT AND RUSSELL ROSS



Daily Cross Word Puzzle



Grin and Bear It

By Lichty



Listen!

with Glynn

From Reginald Allen, Gunner Back, Bob Baker, Mark Beale, Barry Blake, Walter Brester, Alexander Brown, Harry Butcher, Janet Campbell, Lucille Cohan (Nancy Dixon), Harry Crow, John Charles Dally, Jr., Lois Dasher, Albert N. Dennis, Lloyd Dennis, Hugh Conover, Shelton Epp, Madelyn Eckert, Veronika Fitzpatrick, Harold Forry, Miriam Fries, Bruce Geddes, Ann Gillis, Arthur Godfrey and Herman Green.

From Frances Hall, Gladys Hardesty, Helen Harper, Karl Heatwole, John Heiney, Anna Hoffman, Louise Hollinger, Mary Jean Holmes, Lawrence Holt, Clyde Hunt, James W. Hurlbut, Ann Ives, Paul Kain and the orchestra, Joe King, Granville Klink, Esther Kravitz, William Kriz, Ed Laker, Elmer Lee, Margaret Legge, Bernice Long, Arch McDonald and Lyn McDonald.

From Marie McGrain, Hershel McLeod, Barbara McMaster, Andrew Massey, John Moore, Bill Murdoch, Shorty Parker, Bob Pilcher, Paul Porter, Toni Poston, Stan Prentiss, Russ Rennaker, Mugs Richardson, Lewis Rice, Johnny Salb, Don Saunders, Frank Seville, Ralph Schultz, Jimmy Smiley, Howard Stephan.

From Tommy Tait, Ruth Tepping, Leonard Thomas, Lee Vickers, Al Warner, Will Washington, Dick Whitman, Jess Willard and Elma Williams.

And—Oh, yes—from Paul Glynn. In fact from everyone at WJWS in you all, everywhere.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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BY MILTON CANIFF

SHALL RISE AGAINST NATION,
AGAINST KINGDOM: THERE SHALL
BE PESTILENCES, AND EARTHQUAKES
AND FLOODS. ALL THESE ARE THE BEGINNING
OF THE END. MANY FALSE PROPHETS SHALL
ARISE, AND SHALL DECEIVE MANY, AND BECAUSE
THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL
WAX COLD, HE THAT SHALL ENDURE UNTO
THE END, THE SAME SHALL BE SAVED...."

BY DALE ALLEN

(SIGH)
IF ONE COULD ONLY
ENJOY A BEAUTIFUL
SUNSET --- WITHOUT
THINKING ABOUT THE
DARKNESS TO
FOLLOW!

DOGGONE, MARY!
THERE'S TIMES WHEN
I JUST CAN'T
UNDERSTAND A
WOMAN!

DALE

BY WALT DISNEY

Y LANK LEONARD

BY J. P. McEVOY AND H. J. STRIEBEL

FRANK MARTINEK

GOOD-A BYE, MISS

STOP!! YOU HEARD WHAT I SAID - GET IN!!

...

BY SAUNDERS AND WOGGO

A MEMBER OF ONE OF THE OLDEST FAMILIES IN AMERICA, MOTHER—AND MY BEST PAL —CHIEF WAHOO!

WAHOO? HMM! VERY ODD! I SEEM TO HAVE HEARD THAT NAME BEFORE! BUT WHEN?

Arlington, Virginia, Theater, Saturdays



STAY HERE, FRANK!
I'M GOING UP THERE
AFTER DOCTOR
LAKE!

The Gallup Poll

GOP Problem
To Lure Voters
Of Low IncomeMajority in Bracket
Feel Democrats Have
Interests at HeartDr. George Gallup
Director, American Institute of Public
Opinion

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 24.—One of the chief problems the Republican Party faces in the next few years is how to attract more voters in the lower income levels—how to convince the folks on the other side of the railroad tracks that the Republicans would look after their welfare as diligently as the Democrats.

The number of Americans who feel insecure in an economic sense is far larger than most persons in political circles suppose. A study just completed by the Institute indicates that an actual majority of voters are either on relief or would have to join the breadlines within six months if they lost their jobs and could find no other work.

Fail to Make Headway

It is among this group, constituting more than half (58 per cent) of the population, that the Republicans have failed to make headway. The great majority of these people believe that the Democratic Party is their party, the only party with their interests at heart.

The problem for the Republicans is clearly pictured in the results of interviews made by the Institute's staff among all classes of people from coast to coast.

During the course of the interviewing each voter was asked two questions. The first was:

"If you lost your present job or business and couldn't find other work, how long do you think you could hold out before you would have to apply for relief?"

The other question was how each person voted in the November Presidential election.

How They Voted

Here is the way the first question was answered by the voters, excluding farmers whose replies are shown elsewhere in this article.

Persons Already on Relief... 14%
Could Hold Out One Month or Less... 25
Two to Six Months... 19
Three Years and Over... 29

The last two groups, who apparently feel relatively secure, total 42 per cent. The others constitute a majority, 58 per cent—people close enough to the breadlines to feel the constant nudge of insecurity.

Insecure for Roosevelt

When these groups are asked how they voted in the November election, a major problem facing the Republicans becomes obvious.

	For Roosevelt	Will Vote for Him
Persons on Relief... 14%	80%	29%
Could Hold Out One Month or Less... 25	60	40
Two to Six Months... 19	58	43
Three Years and Over... 29	49	51

Comparison with the results of an identical survey made in April, 1939, shows that the Republicans have made virtually no gains among the three least-secure groups. Roosevelt's support among voters in that survey nearly two years ago stood at 81 per cent among those who could hold out one month, 61 per cent, and among those who could hold out one to six months, 58 per cent.

It is clear that feelings of insecurity, and enthusiasm for the Roosevelt Administration are not confined to the relief vote.

Since farmers have different security problem from townfolk, the farm vote in the survey was tabulated separately.

Asked how long they could maintain themselves on their savings and other resources if they lost their farms or farm jobs, a cross-section of farmers voted as follows:

One month or Less... 32%
Two to Six Months... 22
Six Months to Three Years... 17
Three Years and Over... 29

Aged Couple Continue
Trip Despite Crash

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Mr. and Mrs. John Griffith, each about 80 years of age, didn't let an automobile accident deter them from pressing toward their destination.

The Washington (Pa.) couple were severely cut and bruised when their sedan tumbled down a mountainside west of here and overturned three times.

They were found by their daughter and son-in-law, traveling in another car, and yesterday resumed their trip to Florida.

'Iron Lung' Boy Gets
Card From Governor

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Gov. James H. Price and Charles Hamilton, 11, a recent "iron lung" patient, were both happier today all because of one Christmas card.

The youth wanted a card from the Governor to go along with the letter he had received from President Roosevelt.

That card, said the Governor, was the one he most enjoyed sending.

Williamsport Girl
Is Killed by Truck

Williamsport, Md., Dec. 24.—Nora Zimmerly, 8, daughter of William Zimmerly, was killed today when a truck loaded with bricks, passed over her body when she ran into the street in front of the machine near her home here.

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All charge purchases made the balance of the month will appear on your February 1st bill.

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Men's Clothing in broken lots, and one and two of a kind! Note your size below and then come in early Thursday!

135 Men's originally
\$25 and \$30 Sheldon Suits

17.95

Hard finish Worsteds, Rugged Tweeds and Sporty Chevrons. Regulars 2-35, 2-36, 2-37, 10-38, 9-39, 10-40, 11-42, 5-44, 1-46; Shorts 7-35, 4-36, 11-37, 9-38, 5-39, 5-40, 1-42; Longs 1-37, 1-38, 1-39, 2-40, 4-42, 10-44; Slacks 3-40, 4-42, 1-44, 3-46, 1-48; Short Slacks 1-46; Long Slacks 3-44, 2-50.

50 prs. orig. \$6.50 Tweed Slacks... 2.95

Contrast or blend them with your sport or odd coat for a complete ensemble. Waist sizes 29 to 35.

100 prs. orig. \$7.50 Sport Slacks... 3.95

In fine tweeds and soft chevrons. Taken from 2-trousers suits... your assurance of fine tailoring. 29 to 42 waists.

300 prs. orig. \$8.50 and \$10.00 Fine Worsteds... 4.95

Match or blend them with your sport or regular suit coat. They're from our finest 2-trousers suits. 29 to 44 waists.

84 Men's originally
\$30 and \$35 Sheldon

Two-Trouser Suits

22.50

Sheldons, Tweeds and Chevrons. A few Worsteds in larger sizes. Desirable patterns. Regulars 2-35, 1-36, 1-37, 3-38, 2-39, 5-40, 1-42; Shorts 6-35, 10-36, 12-37, 7-38, 5-39, 5-40, 2-42; Longs 1-36, 1-39, 1-42; Slacks 1-39, 2-42, 6-46; Short Slacks 1-44; Long Slacks 1-40, 1-42, 1-44, 1-46, 2-48, 2-50.

40 Men's originally
\$40 Famous Make Suits

23.75

Fine Worsteds in exclusive patterns and models. Regulars 1-38, 1-39, 1-40, 2-44, 1-46; Shorts 1-35, 6-36, 8-37, 8-38, 1-39, 1-40, 2-42; Longs 2-42, 3-44, 1-46; Slacks 2-40, 1-46.

26 Men's Originally
\$40 and \$45 Sheldon

Two-Trouser Worsteds Suits

31.75

They're Sheldon "De Luxe," the finest quality Sheldon's. Regulars 1-36; Shorts 1-34, 2-35, 4-36, 7-37, 3-42; Longs 1-39, 1-42; Slacks 1-39, 1-44, 3-46; Short Slacks 1-46.

29 Men's originally
\$25 Sheldon Topcoats

16.95

Tweeds, Sheldons and Chevrons in Raglans, Balmaines and Boxcoats. Regulars 2-34, 1-35, 3-36, 4-37, 3-38, 1-39, 2-40, 3-42, 2-44; Shorts 1-35, 1-36, 3-37, 1-38, 2-40; Longs 1-36, 2-46.

7 Men's orig. \$35.00 Sheldon Zipper lined Coats... 23.75

Zip the wool tweed lining in, it's an overcoat; zip it out, it's a topcoat. Regulars 1-35, 1-36, 1-38, 1-44; Shorts, 1-39, 1-40.

3 Men's orig. \$40.00 Society Brand Topcoats of Imported Tweed... 23.75

Regulars 1-34; Longs 1-38, 1-40.

8 Men's orig. \$50.00 Society Brand Kashli Topcoats... 33.75

Grey herringbones in raglan and boxcoat styles. Regulars 1-38, 1-42, 2-44; Shorts 1-38; Longs 1-40, 1-42.

4 Men's orig. \$50.00 Society Brand Genuine Camel Hair Topcoats... 39.75

Handsome raglan style with slash pockets. Shorts 2-39; Longs 1-39, 1-40, 1-42; Longs 2-37, 1-38, 2-39, 2-40, 1-42.

2 Men's orig. \$50.00 Society Brand Covert Cloth Topcoats... 39.75

Sizes 38 and 40 long.

23 Men's orig. \$25.00 Sheldon Overcoats... 19.75

Raglans, balmaines and boxcoats in dark shades. Regulars 2-36, 3-38, 1-39, 2-42, 1-44; Shorts 1-37, 2-38, 1-39, 1-40, 1-42; Longs 2-37, 1-38, 2-39, 2-40, 1-42.

3 Men's orig. \$37.50 Sheldon-Angora-Blend Fleece Overcoats... 29.75

Blue in 35 regular; browns in 42 short and 42 long.

1 Men's orig. \$35.00 Sheldon Formal Chesterfield Overcoat... 24.75

Single breasted, oxford gray fly-front with velvet collar. Size 38 regular.

5 Men's orig. \$25.00 Sheldon Tuxedos... 15.95

Regulars 1-36, 1-44; Short 1-35; Long 1-39; Slacks 1-46.

31 Men's orig. \$5 and \$7.50 Black Dress Vests... 2.95

Sizes for all builds.

3 Men's orig. \$50.00 Society Brand Tuxedos... 33.75

Regulars 2-36, 1-39.

1 Men's orig. \$65.00 Society Brand Full Dress Suit... 33.75

Midnight blue in size 37 regular.

The Hecht Co. MAN'S store—Second Floor

SALE! FAMOUS SHELDON
TWO TROUSER SUITS

OVERCOATS, TUXEDOS & ZIPPER-LINED COATS

If you've been waiting for the AFTER CHRISTMAS SALES in men's clothing, your eyes are on the right page. No matter what you need... for business... for sports... for evenings... you'll find everything in this sale. We've taken drastic reductions on a \$100,000 stock! Made our "blue pencil" work overtime to give you the values you'd naturally expect in an after Christmas sale. Don't take a chance on this sale slipping past you. Just tear out this page and stick it in your overcoat pocket. It will remind you when you're ready for the office Thursday morning.

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SHELDON DE LUXE 2-TROUSER SUITS; ALPACA, MOHAIR AND
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Included in this reduced group are the popular blue serge, oxford grey and bankers' grey Sheldon 2-Trouser Suits. The Alpaca, Mohair and Wool Overcoats are luxurious to the "handle" and give warmth without weight. Get your "tails" for New Year's Eve.

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FAMOUS "50" WORSTED SUITS

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ENTIRE STOCK OF THESE MEN'S FAMOUS SHOES REDUCED!

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- NORWEGIAN CALFSKIN WING TIPS!
- CUSTOM TOE, MEDALLION STRAIGHT TIP!
- NORWEGIAN CALFSKIN PLAIN TOES!
- WINE CORDOVANS IN WING TIPS!
- REMOVABLE SPIKE GOLF SHOES!

9.95 TO 11.45

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The Hecht Co. MAN'S store—Main Floor